

## 3 MEN ROB FRISCO AGENT AND ESCAPE

Three unmasked, well dressed men entered the Frisco station at 2:40 o'clock Friday morning and took \$75 from Scott Leyerle and \$5 from Geo. Bevely, negro porter of the Del Rey Hotel, who was waiting there between trains.

The northbound train had just left Sikeston and Leyerle had locked the office and stepped out of the waiting room to throw the signal tower lever for the next train, when he was met by the men who forced him at the point of nickel-plated pistols back into the station, where one of the men was detailed to take care of Bevely, who was on one of the waiting room benches waiting for the southbound morning train.

When an entry had been made into the office one of the men covered Leyerle, while the other scooped up the contents of the cash drawer. The day's receipts had been taken to the bank shortly before closing time Thursday afternoon and the money in the drawer was change and what had been taken in since the deposit had been made.

When the men left the station, they broke into a run south down the that direction. The men took Leyerle's that direction. The men took Leyerle's pistol with them, which prevented him from shooting at them as they fled. Bevely carried no gun. There was no car near the station, but it is thought that the men had a car waiting somewhere south of the station.

One of the men was a large dark complected person, who was described as the leader of the gang. The other two were smaller men, one wore a light hat and a light top coat and the other was in darker clothing.

The Marshall Filling Station at Charleston was held up and robbed of \$12 about 7:30 o'clock Thursday night by two men answering the description of the two men who entered the office with Leyerle here.

Robberies at New Madrid and Portageville earlier in the week may have also been committed by the same men, it is thought.

About 10:30 o'clock four men in a red Buick coupe with an Oklahoma license plate were seen entering Sikeston. One of these men was recognized as Hunter Albritton, who has a police record and is wanted in Florida as an escaped convict. Connecting the Charleston robbery with these men and as they acted suspiciously, they were reported to the police for investigation. The police at this time working on the \$2000 robbery, which had just been reported to them and as soon as possible started out looking for both parties. However, no trace was found of the red Buick. It was last seen as it turned west off of Kingshighway onto Gladys Avenue. Every alley and garage in that section was searched for the car. The police answered the call at the Frisco and the search was renewed, but without results.

## C. L. ESSARY HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of C. L. Essary, 319 Moore Avenue, was practically destroyed by a fire early Saturday morning of undetermined origin. The damage to the house and furnishings was over \$3000. A piano and new radio set in the front room were among the articles lost. Only the furnishings of one room were saved. The alarm was turned in at 3:00 o'clock and by that time, the fire had burned through the roof in the back part of the house where the fire started. Water was put on the fire as soon as the truck arrived, but because of the cold, it froze nearly as fast as it struck. Mr. and Mrs. Essary were the only occupants of the house and were awakened only to find the house too far gone to save much. Firemen, several of them in frozen clothing, remained until the hose were drained as the water rapidly became frozen when turned off.

## TO HAVE OPERATION

W. P. Wilkerson, secretary of the Sikeston Building & Loan Association, left last week for St. Louis, where he will undergo an operation for thyroid glands at the Baptist Sanitarium Wednesday. A thorough examination by Dr. Bartlett, a specialist of St. Louis, was made and the operation decided upon. Mrs. Wilkerson went to St. Louis to be with her husband. Harry Smith will have charge of the Building & Loan office while Mr. Wilkerson is away.

# Sale New Spring Silk Dresses, \$8.85



An unusual purchase brings quality and style that we are seldom able to offer at so low a price!

The frocks are new spring models, every one authentic, every one an exceptional \$10 and \$12.50 value at \$8.85. Beautiful spring materials! Luscious spring shades! And the new spring details include swathing girdles, tiny fan pleatings, one-sided draperies, swirling skirts, sash ties, tight sleeves, blouse effects, flying panels, scarfs.

Sizes for misses and women . . . come early for best selection.

In the Bargain Basement of

## THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE CO.



## YOUTH TAKES RIDE AND ROLL FROM MEN

Police in this section have been looking since Thursday night for a youth of about 24 summers, who had accepted a ride from Jack Byers and a man named Williams, both of Madison, Ill., and then left them, taking with him \$2000 in new bills belonging to Byers.

The youth left the men at the curve at Talley's Filling Station about 5:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, telling them that he had an uncle about two miles down the road, whom he was going to visit. The men did not discover the loss until they had driven to Hayti and stopped for gas and oil. The young man is thought to have escaped as Roy Smith, local taxi driver, reported having carried a man of his description to Poplar Bluff and that he had been given a fifty dollar bill in payment. The money taken was in fifty and one hundred dollar bills. Smith did not know of the robbery at the time, and at first did not want to make the trip because of the weather. The youth insisted that he had a relative there who was seriously ill and Smith finally consented.

Byers and Williams were driving a new Buick coupe from Madison to Birmingham, Ala., and had spent Wednesday night at Festus. Coming out of Festus into Crystal City Thursday morning, they met a young man on the road, who told them that he was a concrete worker in St. Louis and that he was going to Sikeston to visit an uncle who lived about two miles from Sikeston.

When the men arrived at Cape Girardeau, a few drinks were served, according to the story of Williams, and the journey was resumed toward Sikeston. At Talley's Filling Station curve, the young man asked to get out and thanked the men for the ride (and, no doubt, the money).

The two men then drove on through here and when they arrived at Hayti, they discovered the loss. Williams returned to Sikeston and the local police at once set to work. It was about 10:00 o'clock when Williams returned and as the youth had been last seen at 5:30, it is thought that he had already made an escape.

Smith said the youth told him that he had been drinking, but that he wanted to go to Poplar Bluff to see a relative there who was seriously ill, so after refusing he (Smith) finally consented to take him.

There were eleven one hundred dollar bills and eighteen fifties in the haul. Byers also had a hundred dollar bill and a fifty in another pocket which he saved.

## E. J. MALONE HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE

The Dr. E. J. Malone home at Malone Avenue and Stoddard Street, one of the finest residences in Sikeston, was damaged by fire and water to the extent of more than \$3000 Friday morning.

The fire started in the southeast room on the second floor, which John Malone had left about an hour before the fire was discovered. Mr. and Mrs. John Malone were the only members of the family at home at the time. Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Malone returned here Saturday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Malone and a party of others from a week's trip to Texas.

The cause of the fire is believed to have been a bed lamp which had set a piece of paper to blazing. The paper had been placed between the shade and the bulb to divert the rays of the lamp. John Malone said that he had left the lamp burning.

The fire spread to the attic above and got between the double tin roof on the house and the ceiling of the second story. It was not discovered until spalls dropped down to the room below, where Mr. and Mrs. Malone and their uncle had just finished breakfast.

When the fire department arrived, the fire was between the walls, causing them to have to cut several holes in the roof and floors to get water to it. The damage done to the plastering, furnishings and floors exceeded that done by the fire.

The fire alarm was turned in at 9:15 and the firemen fought for more than an hour before the fire was finally brought under control. All members of the volunteer firemen were present. Two hose lines were stretched to fight the flames.

Damages by fire was confined to the second and third story rooms and the attic while the water damaged practically every room down stairs.

## FOX TO GET HEARING IN PROBATE COURT

An insanity hearing for John Fox, former City Clerk of Sikeston who is now under bond for appearance in the Circuit Court, charged with embezzlement and forgery, was to be held before Probate Judge T. B. Dudley late Monday afternoon in Sikeston. Judge Dudley had the hearing as some of the doctors were to testify could not be in Benton. The information was filed by Mrs. Fox, stating that her husband is not capable of handling his own affairs and asking a guardian to be appointed. M. G. Gresham represented Mrs. Fox and an attorney was appointed for Mr. Fox.

The embezzlement and forgery charges were from information filed February 21 by Roger Bailey as a result of alleged mismanagement of City funds while Fox was City Clerk. Fox waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the March term of the Scott County Circuit Court as was reported exclusively in The Sikeston Standard last week.

## STANDARD AD SELLS 150 PAIRS OF SHOES

The Friday, February 17 issue of The Standard carried an exclusive advertisement of the Heuer's Sample Shoe Store One-Cent Sale, which sold more than 150 pairs of shoes for the concern. The advertisement appeared only one time and in The Standard only. Saturday's weather was anything but inviting and Mr. Todd said the crowds at the store that day certainly showed the value of Standard advertising.

The Tuesday edition of The Standard carried an ad for a woolen skirt which had been lost and the skirt was returned Saturday.

## TEACHERS EXAMINATION

The regular March examination for teachers will be held in the public school building at Benton on Friday and Saturday, March 2 and 3, beginning at 8:00 a. m.

J. H. GOODIN,  
County Supt. Schools

## DOUBLE-HEADER HERE FRI. NIGHT WITH POPLAR BLUFF

A double-header basketball game between the Poplar Bluff High School teams and the Sikeston teams will be staged on the local court Friday night.

Both Poplar Bluff teams will receive a stiff reception as the Sikeston girls are in top form and the boys are still stinging from the defeat here at the hands of the Bluff team which kept them from winning the consolation in the tournament.

Eleven teams have signed for the girls' tournament which is to be held here March 9 and 10. They are (with the coaches of each); Sikeston, Lott-Dover; Caruthersville, Wid-Matthews; Hayti, Melva C. Yates; Malden, A. C. Moon; Crystal City, L. V. Black; Desloge, Tim Dougherty; Charleston, J. H. Marshall; Diehlstadt, John Fox; Poplar Bluff, Anne Moore; Luxora, Ark., P. S. Sikes and Bell City.

County Tournaments are now in progress. The Scott County Tournament will be held at Benton Friday and Saturday of this week. Sikeston will not be represented as the high school has not played six games with other county schools.

Campbell won the Dunklin County girls' tourney by defeating Holcomb in extra minutes of play. The Hornersville boys beat Campbell to win the boys' meet, which was held Friday and Saturday.

The Stoddard County Tournament was held at Bloomfield Friday and Saturday of last week, the Advance boys beating Dexter for first place and Bernie girls winning from Bell City to carry off honors in their division.

Come to see "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" at Miner Friday night, March 2.

We have a lot of the conventional navies and blacks in the new spring dresses in our Bargain Basement.—Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

Dr. and Mrs. Daughtrey, who have been in the Slack property on Malone Avenue, have moved to the West property on South New Madrid, opposite the Christian church. Dr. Daughtrey has moved his office to the Trust Company Building.

## "AMERICA'S OBLIGATION" GIVEN AT M. E. CHURCH

About seventy-five persons took part in the Missionary pageant, "America's Obligation", which pleased the well crowded Methodist church Sunday night.

Mrs. Harvey Morrison directed the play which had been rehearsed for the past week. The main characters were: Margaret Baker, America; Kathleen Carey, Church; Kemper Bruton, Herald; Hallie Carey, Missions, and Virginia Hudson, Wealth.

About fifty children took part in the play representing fruit, flowers, butterflies and birds. The children were dressed in paper dresses and made a very beautiful picture on the platform. A group of small boys built a little church in the wildwood of brick, singing the "Church in the Wild Wood".

William Smith made a good district school master of the old school. Despite the lack of light and power to operate the organ, the pageant was a success from every angle. It was more than well received—it was enthusiastically received and appreciated by the audience which filled the church.

Mrs. John Fox, Mrs. C. C. Rose and Miss Abbie Morrison assisted Mrs. Morrison in presenting the pageant.

## SOUTHEAST MO. TRANSIT TO BE DIVISION OF GREYHOUND

The Southeast Missouri Transit Company transfer to a division of the Greyhound Lines is expected to be completed some time this week. The Greyhound Company has already put several buses on this division and will shortly take over the entire company according to authentic reports.

The Greyhound lines now operate busses all over the country. The Purple Swan Company is now a division of this company and in the future the Transit Company will be operated as the Southeast Missouri division of the Greyhound Lines.

The old buses will be called in and several new ones will be added. There are now some sixteen or eighteen buses operating on this division.

Chillicothe—Producers' Creamery Company of Chillicothe organized.

## TO HAVE "MRS. TUBS OF SHANTY TOWN" AT MINER

The first home talent play to be presented in the new Miner Community Building which was dedicated last week will be given by the Baptist Sunday School class Friday night, March 2 at 8:00 o'clock.

The play will be "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" and the characters have been practicing for some time. It is to be a typical home talent play and from early indications should go over in great style.

The people of Miner Switch are to be congratulated on having the fine community spirit which has made the building and the presentation of these plays possible.

The "Who's Who" of the play for next Tuesday follows:

Mrs. Tubbs . . . Mrs. C. W. Smoot  
Mrs. Clingie Vine . . . Mrs. Ben Matthews  
Mrs. Ellen Hickey . . . Mrs. R. Malcolm  
Maydelle Campbell . . . Priscilla Snow  
Simon Rubbels . . . Roland Malcolm  
Tom Riordan . . . Loren Vaughn  
Queen Sheba Tubbs

Mathewslam Tubbs . . . John Kaufman  
Billy Blossom Tubbs . . . Billy Widdows  
Victory Hortensia Tubbs

Elmira Hickey . . . Gwendolyn Eubanks  
Admission will be thirty cents for adults and twenty cents for children.

## NEGRO SHOT THREE TIMES IN EARLY SUNDAY ROW

Willie Anderson, negro, is suffering from the results of three pistol bullets which were delivered by Geo. Harris at a negro cabin near the Frisco station about 3:00 o'clock Sunday morning.

One bullet entered the right nostril, the second his left shoulder and the third his left side. The bullet through the nostril lodged in the roof of his mouth. His condition was improved Monday and he will recover if complications do not set in.

Anderson claims he was asleep when shot by the Harris negro. No trace has been found of Harris, who is supposed to have been from Chicago.

New silk dresses for spring, all shades, in our basement, \$10 to \$12.50 values, \$8.85.—Buckner-Ragsdale Co.

## MR. AND MRS. W. B. LACY SELL HOTEL—TO RETURN HERE

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lacy, formerly of Morehouse, have sold their interest in the Commercial Hotel at New Madrid to the Dawson brothers of that city. The Dawson Brothers will take possession Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy operated hotels at Morehouse before going to New Madrid. They will go to Hot Springs, Ark., for a rest and will later return to Sikeston to live. In the future Mr. and Mrs. Lacy may re-enter the hotel business at some new location.

While in New Madrid the Lacs have built up a good business and they will leave many good friends there. The hotel now has a splendid business, both from New Madrid people and the travelling public.

The Commercial will be under the management of Paul Dawson and Ruth Howell will have charge of the dining room.

## DE LISLE HEISLER RADIO AMATEUR HEARS CAPE TOWN

De Lisle Heisler, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Heisler, is a licensed amateur radio operator and has been in communication with far distant stations since he began his radio work four years ago. He has been a licensed operator since July 25, 1927.

Saturday night about 7:00 o'clock De Lisle heard radio station FO-A33M of Cape Town, South Africa and has sent them his log card for acknowledgment.

Young Heisler's set call is 9ECS and it has been heard by ships at sea and in foreign countries. His set is a signal station, of course, code being used for transmission.

About two months ago De Lisle was in communication with a ship which was twelve degrees below the equator. Its call letters were SS 2NB. He has been heard in Copenhagen, Denmark and the Maderia Islands and has the station cards for them.

\$10 and \$12.50 silk dresses \$8.85. All new spring styles and colors.—Bargain Basement Buckner-Ragsdale Store Company.

If you want to laugh go to the home talent play at the new community building at Miner Friday night, March 2 at 8 o'clock.



## SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY  
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURIEntered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-  
class mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.

Rates:  
Display advertising, per single col-  
umn inch, net .....25c  
Reading notices, per line .....10c  
Bank statements .....\$10.00  
Probate notices, minimum .....\$ 5.00  
Yearly subscription in Scott and the  
adjoining counties .....\$1.50  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the  
United States .....\$2.00

Falling soot is about as thick in  
Sikeston about 7:00 o'clock in the  
morning and firing time at night as  
snow has been at times. If furnaces  
and stoves are fired properly there  
will be less soot and smoke and less  
fuel will be used. There is no need of  
a smoke screen in a town this size  
twice a day.

Sitting in a hotel dining room at  
Poplar Bluff Sunday noon, we heard  
everything from gossamer to politics  
discussed. The elderly lady was  
sympathizing with the waitress about  
her friend's gallstone operation. We  
hope it was a success as nothing will  
furnish more good conversation than  
a recent operation.

Fifteen years ago, February 28,  
the present editor of The Standard  
arrived in Sikeston to take charge of  
an almost defunct plant. Whether or  
not we have been a benefit to the  
community is an open question. The  
community has been a great benefit  
to the editor and family. It is the  
community that has enabled us to  
feed, clothe and give a fair education  
to a good size family. It is the com-  
munity that has enabled us to equip  
The Standard plant that is second to  
none in Southeast Missouri, and it is  
the community that has paid the bill.  
In return we have tried to serve the  
community to the best of our ability  
in our crude way. We have a reason  
to pledge the balance of our days with  
The Standard to continue to serve the  
community.

"During my extended and, I trust,  
not entirely useless career", remark-  
old Uncle Foggy, "I have observed the  
peculiarities of human nature, until  
I may say that in many instances I  
can read my fellowmen like a book. I  
have learned that while man wants  
but little here below it is always a  
little more. I have discovered that  
fewer persons are killed by overwork  
than by eating health foods, and also  
that the only people who ever profit  
by advice are lawyers and doctors. I  
have observed that the man who at-  
tends to his own business generally  
has a life-time job, and that if Na-  
ture has arranged things so that a  
man could kick himself some of my  
acquaintances, if they had done their  
duty to themselves and the world,  
would by this time have booted them-  
selves clear up to the planet Mars".  
—Kansas City Star.

## A WORTHY PROJECT

The Truck Growers' Association  
which has been organized here is in  
line with a number of other similar  
organizations which have been and  
are being formed throughout this sec-  
tion. The interest shown in truck  
gardening is encouraging for the  
district as it will mean more money  
for the farmer. There is, of course, a  
danger of overloading the first year.  
The idea should be for as many farm-  
ers as is possible to raise some truck  
and to increase that amount as it is  
needed and not for all of them to load  
up the first year and then because the  
market is flooded to become discour-  
aged and not raise truck the follow-  
ing year.

It should be kept in mind also that  
to produce the best results the proper  
care must be taken of the growing  
plants. Along this line must be in-  
cluded the use of fertilizers. It takes  
but a small amount of fertilizer to  
improve a great deal of land. At the  
same time the proper fertilizer should  
be obtained for the land upon which  
it is to be used and for the particular  
crop which is to be planted. This in-  
formation is gladly supplied by the  
fertilizer companies and the various  
farm agencies.

The little girl from down the  
country says that, as a rule, you will  
find most of the hicks in the town  
that boasts it isn't a hick town.—  
Commercial Appeal.

Miss Gondola Henstep hasn't done  
anything worth while in long time,  
and hasn't got any mention of any  
kind, and says she is going to do  
something right soon to attract at-  
tention if nothing else but write a  
poem for the Tickville Tidings.—  
Commercial Appeal.

We get a good deal of diversion  
from exchanges in towns which join  
the Chamber of Commerce process-  
ion. For several weeks after the in-  
itial banquet and booster speeches yed  
is bubbling over with anticipation.  
Factories dance before his vision like  
a calf before a circus procession. His  
ear-drums vibrate from the tramp of  
on-coming population. The old town  
is to awaken from her Rip Van Win-  
kle slumbers and become Queen of  
the Prairies, with better streets, big-  
ger schools, larger churches and other  
metropolitan adjuncts. But gradu-  
ally yed ed simmers down. The  
Chamber fails to function. No mir-  
acles come to pass. A lot of vivid  
dreams vanish into thin air. It would  
be different if such organizations  
would direct their energies towards  
developing a more pleasant commu-  
nity life, first getting sold on the idea  
that a clean, wholesome, sociable vil-  
lage is, after all, the best place in  
which to live and raise children.—  
Paris Appeal.

The Auxiliary will meet Wednesday  
evening, March 7 with Mrs. C. L.  
Blanton and not on February 29 as  
stated in The Sikeston Herald. The  
regular meeting days of the Auxiliary  
are the first and third Wednesdays  
of the month.

SEZ THE  
SIKESTONIAN

By I. C. SIKESTON

The Sikestonian has been bawled  
out, turned in, called down, blown up,  
laughed at, stomped on, headed off,  
licked about, talked of and about ev-  
erything else, but the worst blow  
came Saturday when he had remon-  
strated a friend for having talked an  
hour without saying anything. The  
friend replied that it was nothing, as  
the Sikestonian had been writing for  
a MONTH without having an idea,  
much less having said anything. The  
friend was a prominent school official  
and should know whereof he speaks.

Judge Jos. W. Myers has put on a  
new collar and tie and has a new gal-  
lon and a half hat, which means that  
election time is about a month off.  
(He has thrown the old hat in the  
ring).

A world's championship wrestling  
match was held in St. Louis last Mon-  
day but instead of seeing wrestling,  
the customers saw mostly necking.

"The Loves of Carmen" was shown  
in Sikeston the same night and the  
customers saw mostly wrestling.  
Which goes to show that you can't  
tell the price of lard by looking down  
a pig's throat.

We know a young man who thinks  
horse-radish is a fruit.

Some in Sikeston are familiar with  
"The Bat". The Standard's new serial  
which starts Friday, either from hav-  
ing seen the play or the picture and  
they, as well as those who have not  
seen or read it, will enjoy it—but not  
after 9 o'clock at night unless there  
is plenty of company to keep the  
googoes away.

A Chicago woman paid \$67 taxi  
fares for her fox terrier last week,  
which we think is putting on the dog  
a little strong.

A leopard reported to have been  
shot in the down town district of St.  
Louis last week has made its appear-  
ance on the streets of Sikeston in the  
form of a good looking coat.

Some of the members of the party  
which made the trip to Texas and  
Mexico last week certainly made us  
appreciate American cigarettes from  
tasting the Mexican brands.

We are not in a position to say  
whether a Sparton horn is louder and  
funnier than a klaxon or not, nor are  
we adverse to the use of auto horns,  
but midnight is not an excellent time  
to have a contest of automobile horns  
in the City of Sikeston.

A POEM?  
For hold-ups, fires and city shieks  
Sikeston leads the way  
We heard said by a stranger that  
we're  
More like New York each day.

A JOKE  
Sikeston streees when it is raining  
and after it has stopped.

HAVE YOUR SHOES REBUILT  
Ladies oak soles and rubber caps \$1  
Boys' rubber soles and rubber  
heels .....\$1.25  
Men's rubber soles and rubber  
heels .....\$1.50  
Children's work according to sizes.  
E. H. HELLER  
Electric Shoe Shop  
Frisco Addition

Welfare societies in St. Louis and  
Kansas City have launched a cam-  
paign for \$100,000 with which to fa-  
cilitate the work of rehabilitating  
crippled children. The legislature di-  
rected the University of Missouri to  
undertake this great philanthropy but  
appropriated only \$35,000 for the first  
two years, a sum that was far from  
adequate. The children, no matter  
how poor or friendless they may be,  
receive expert attention from the best  
specialists and most sympathetic  
nurses the institution can find. Most  
of them become able to walk. The  
same sort of service has been given  
at Shriner's Hospital and other hos-  
pitals in St. Louis for years. Not  
content with ministering to their own,  
those fine institutions have gone out  
into the highways and hedges, gather-  
ing afflicted waifs anywhere they  
could be found and treating them  
with just as much consideration as  
though they were from mansion or  
palace. Things like this are pleasant  
antidotes to the sordid stories which  
daily revolve about human depravity  
and are rebukes to those who preach  
that everybody is out for the money.  
They remind us, too, of our debt to  
the Carpenter of Galilee who loved  
little folk and who said: "Inasmuch  
as you do it unto the least of these  
my children you do it unto me."—  
Paris Appeal.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Mrs. H.  
C. Young, Mrs. Wm. Hutters and Mrs.  
J. M. Pitman spent Friday at Cape  
Girardeau.

SOME SCOTT COUNTY  
FARM BUREAU NEWS

"Lambs may be sired by purebred  
rams and properly docked and castra-  
ted, but if they are not fat they will  
not sell at or near the top of the mar-  
ket", said County Agent Renner.  
Feeding grain to suckling lambs is  
important because:

The finish or fatness can be ma-  
terially increased.

The lambs will be ready for market  
sooner and thereby bring a higher  
price.

Shrinkage in shipping will be much  
less.

The number of culls will be greatly  
reduced.

A warm, clear sunny place should  
be selected to place the creep. The  
troughs for the grain should be 9 to  
12 inches wide and 4 inches deep. A  
six inch board should run the full  
length of the trough about ten inches  
above the bottom to keep the lambs  
from getting their feet in the trough.  
The openings in the creep should be  
from 7 to 9 inches wide, so that the  
lambs can pass through and the ewes  
cannot.

Lambs will start eating when two  
weeks old. Clean troughs daily and  
feed small amounts at first. Feed  
twice daily what they will clean up  
in an hour. When lambs are two  
months old they will eat one-half to  
three-quarters of a pound of grain  
daily. A lamb sold at 70 pounds will  
have eaten less than one bushel of  
grain.

Lambs may be started on two parts  
ground corn, 2 parts ground oats and  
1 part bran. When the lambs are six  
weeks old they can be changed to 6  
parts shelled corn, 3 parts oats or  
bran and 1 part linseed oil meal (pea  
size best). If the lambs are getting  
good legume hay the grain ration may  
be 6 parts shelled corn and 2 parts  
oats.

Lambs will go off feed like steers  
when grass first gets good, but they  
should by all means be coaxed back  
on feed and fed until marketed.

Don't forget to dock and castrate  
the lambs before they are two weeks  
old.

Remember the packer say they can  
increase the consumption of lambs if  
we send them the right kind. That  
means that if we dock and castrate  
and get the lambs fat it will go a  
long way towards holding up the  
price of fat lambs.

The organization of a More Attractive  
Home 4-H Club was reported to  
County Agent Renner last week by  
Mrs. John Martin and Mrs. Edmond-  
son of Fomfelt. Approximately 20  
girls are enrolled in this work. The  
objects of such a club is listed as fol-  
lows:

To foster an appreciation of and  
pride in service in the home.

To emphasize simplicity and good  
tastes in house furnishings rather  
than cost.

To teach care and repair of house  
furnishings.

To show how a harmonious and  
restful interior may be achieved.

To improve the home grounds by  
foundation, border and corner plant-  
ing.

JUDGE W. S. SMITH ANNOUNCES  
FOR RE-ELECTION TO OFFICE

Police Judge Judge W. S. Smith  
has announced his candidacy for re-  
election, subject to the April election.  
Judge Smith makes the following  
statement in announcing:

"Just a word to the citizens. I am  
going to ask you to give me another  
term in the office of Police Judge. I  
have endeavored to serve you faith-  
fully for the past two years and dur-  
ing that time I have been severely  
criticized by some for several small  
fines that I have assessed. I try to  
use common sense and assess fines  
according to the offense. I think I  
have a streak of humanity left in me  
yet, and do not think it right to put  
heavy fines for some minor offense.  
Do you think you would be treated  
fairly to pay a heavy fine for some  
small offense that you might commit?  
I have assessed some of the largest  
fines that have been on the records  
for years. Also I have gotten rid of  
ten or twelve of the most objection-  
able character that the City has had  
to contend with. It seems to me that  
this office should be used to avoid and  
correct crime and not as a money  
making proposition.

"The police docket is open to the  
public and I would be glad to have  
you come in and look it over any time  
that you may wish to. If you see fit  
to let me have this office for another  
term, your vote at the polls will be  
considered a personal favor by me."

## LICENSE NO. 191-313 STOLEN

The license plates were removed  
from the car of C. E. Brenton which  
was parked in front of the Methodist  
Church Sunday night. They were  
1928 plates No. 191-313.

R. A. Moll, of Cairo, was a brief  
visitor in Sikeston Friday afternoon. Smith.

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Laugh Off the Record of  
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February 18, 1928.Taylor Auto Co.,  
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Attention Alvin Taylor

Dear Alvin:

Knowing your interest in Buick performance and in maintenance cost on them, feel  
that it might be a source of satisfaction to you to hear of the low maintenance that I  
have experienced in my 26-54 C.

The above car was driven into the local Buick service station here in Columbus yes-  
terday noon with a mileage of 42,011.

Motor costs up to that time amounted to less than thirty dollars. This included two  
valve grinding jobs at \$14.50 each; one fan belt and two or three riser gaskets. The  
motor in the last two days has had installed new Simplex rings, new piston pins and  
bushings and a check up of main and connecting rod bearings at a cost of \$60.10. This  
amount includes a wash and clean up. It can be seen from this that in case the car runs  
another twenty thousand miles with no more expense than an additional valve grinding  
the total motor cost will not exceed ninety-five dollars for around sixty-five thousand  
miles. This car aside from the first four thousand miles has been operated daily at an  
average road speed of fifty miles per hour on an average of better than two thousand  
miles per month.

Of course other money has been spent as an occasional tightening of body bolts and  
occasional fenders tapped out. A good deal of such money could have been saved as I find  
that any body is going to be more or less noisy. Then I have a rattle in the steering  
column upon which I have spent a bunch of money without getting it corrected. This  
money has largely been wasted. But from a motor standpoint or a point of mechanics  
this car has been more than economical.

A word of interest to you concerning tires. The car came equipped of course, with  
Goodyears. These went out at an average of twelve thousand miles or possibly slightly  
more. Two Generals were taken off rear wheels at 11,000 miles showing the white  
breaker strip all the way around.

Some months ago four Dayton thoroughbreds were placed on the car. These tires  
were shifted, back to front at seventy-five hundred miles. They have now better than  
fifteen thousand five hundred miles on them and the treads are in such good shape they  
promise five or more thousand miles yet.

Such tire mileage on the type of car as above is exceptional as lack of shock absorb-  
ers on the rear wheels give the rear end a side jumping motion at high speeds.

You have my permission to use this letter in any way you may see fit.

Yours very truly,

MARVIN McMULLIN.

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BROWN JEWELL ANNOUNCES  
FOR RE-ELECTION TO OFFICE

Brown "Chick" Jewell has announ-  
ced his candidacy for re-election to  
the office of Constable of Richland  
Township, subject to the April elec-  
tion. Brown's record while in office  
speaks for itself. He has recovered  
more than fifty stolen cars, assisted  
the local police in many arrests, served  
warrants without question and has  
conducted himself as a constable  
should.

During his stay in office he has es-  
tablished connection with the police  
departments of many large cities and  
with practically every car insurance  
company of any size in the country.

He is a good Democrat and is qual-  
ified for the position.

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and Mrs. J. M. Klein and daughter,  
Miss Camille, Mr. and Mrs. Murray  
Kline and children, Dr. and Mrs. A.  
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Mayfield and son and Mrs. Reeve  
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## 10 PCT. REDUCTION IN COTTON CROP URGED

Jackson Miss., February 24.—The conference of Governors and representatives from cotton-growing states, here at the call of Gov. Dan Moody of Texas, to devise means of rehabilitating the cotton farmer, adjourned Tuesday sine die after adopting with only minor revisions recommendations unanimously presented by its Resolutions Committee.

The conference ended its sessions with a spirit of harmony and optimism prevailing, contrasting sharply with the wrangling over proposals and counter-proposals that marked sessions of its Resolutions Committee.

The controversial proposal of State Senator Q. B. Roberts of Bolivar County, Miss., for cotton acreage reduction through legislative enactment was skirted by concessions from both sides. It was appended to the general resolution, but will not come up for discussion before State Legislatures until next October 15 at the earliest, and the only if cotton quotations are at "an unprofitable figure" to the grower.

A 10 per cent reduction in cotton acreage this year was recommended by the Resolutions Committee to solve the problems of the cotton farmer.

The committee, in reporting to Gov. Moody, chairman of the conference, went on record as opposing any attempt to regulate cotton planting by State law.

The 10 per cent cut will restore cotton prices to a "profitable standard", the committee said.

Gov. Moody sounded the keynote of the conference by declaring that farmers must learn to farm twelve months of the year instead of only three. He declared the bankers and merchants could help by urging the farmers to diversify and plant feed and food crops in addition to cotton.

Government regulation of cotton acreage was urged by Clarence Ousley, and Assistant Secretary of Agriculture in the Wilson administration.

Control of the pink boll worm, the latest menace to prosperity in the cotton belt, is one of the objects sought. The conferees adopted a resolution that included among its provisions a demand that the Federal Government recognize the insects as a national menace and provide adequate appropriations for their control.

"Only extermination measures can protect the cotton industry", the resolution declared. "The threat from the pink boll worms to the cotton producers and manufacturing industries can be met only by prompt and adequate appropriations to exterminate this insect and thus prevent its spread into the cotton belt from Mexico as it has done heretofore."

The main infestation now is centered in the Rio Grande and Pecos valley areas of Texas, the resolution pointed out.

Adoption of the resolution followed an address by Dr. W. L. Hinds, Government entomologist at Tallulah, La. He declared the infestation in the cotton growing regions of Texas more serious than any problem of overproduction. The boll worms spread faster than any other insect, Dr. Hinds said, and unless checked will affect the entire South.

"As a last means, if necessary, discontinuance of cotton growing in the infested areas for at least three years should be resorted to", Dr. Hinds said.

The conference agreed to function as a permanent organization through the activities of a committee of 24, appointed from each of the cotton producing states, with Gov. Moody as chairman. The committee's purpose will be promotion of the welfare of the cotton farmer. A subcommittee of five of its members, headed by C. E. Thomas of Montgomery, Ala., will meet in Memphis, Tenn., within the next 30 days to adopt a constitution and bylaws.

Recommendation that the Governors of cotton growing States request bankers and credit merchants of their States to formulate credit policies based on restricted cotton acreage and production of food supplies was the high point of proposals having as their purpose reduction of cotton acreage and consequent restricted production to obtain higher prices.

### STATE SUPREME COURT

#### AFFIRMS PRISON SENTENCE

Poplar Bluff, February 24.—The Supreme Court of Missouri has affirmed the sentence of Josh Harp, former Cotton Belt Railroad detective, of five years in the Missouri penitentiary for the alleged murder of Irvin Spinks, April 9, 1922. The shooting occurred at Malden, Mo.

Spinks, whose home was at Central City, Ky., was a transient. He was with another youth, named Ben Mercer, at the time Harp drove them from the railroad property and shot Spinks as he jumped over the right-of-way fence.

Mercer, who had testified for the State in the first trial, which resulted in a verdict of guilty and a sentence of 20 years in the penitentiary, the case have been reversed and remanded for new trial, could not be located for the second trial. Judge E. P. Dorris, who tried the case, permitted the Prosecuting Attorney, over the objection of the defense, to read the testimony of Mercer at the former trial.

Harp had been married only a few weeks when he was arrested. He resides at Little Rock, Ark., at the time, and was employed as a special agent.

Production of pulp has begun at the new Kraft paper mill of the International Paper Company at Camden, Ark. The paper machines will be started within the next few weeks. The pulp mill has a daily capacity of 200 tons.

## SECOND VETO OF FARM RELIEF BILL FORECAST

Washington, February 24.—A prediction that President Coolidge again would veto the McNary-Haugen equalization fee farm relief bill came today from several sources in the House.

At the same time Chairman Haugen of the agriculture committee said that at least 12 of the committee's 21 members had indicated that they would support the measure.

Another method of assisting the agricultural industry was advanced in a bill introduced yesterday by Representative Connally (Dem.) of Texas, based on the export corporation and export debenture plan supported by the national grange.

In an accompanying statement, the Texan declared the equalization fee was "hopeless and to pass it again, when it is known that it cannot become a law, is simply to play politics with the farmer". He expressed the opinion that the President would veto a bill containing the equalization fee clause.

During a plea for agricultural tariff revision by Representative Bankhead (Dem.) of Alabama, on the floor, Representative Ketcham (Rep.) of Michigan, member of the committee, interjected his view that the equalization fee bill was a futile gesture.

At the hearing, Sydney Anderson of Minneapolis, president of the Millers' National Federation and a former member of the House, urged modification of the bill so that farmers and agricultural manufacturers would raise half of the proposed \$400,000,000 revolving fund, instead of it being borne wholly by the Government.

The House Agriculture Committee declared its intention to close hearings on farm relief legislation tomorrow. Although more than half a dozen farm relief plans have been introduced, the discussion in the committee has revolved mainly around the McNary-Haugen bill with its equalization fee.

Immediately after the close of the hearings the committee will go into executive session to frame the bill.

Next Wednesday the committee plans to open hearings on the McNary-Haugen \$1,000,000 reforestation bill, and then will consider the Purnell bill providing for another \$10,000,000 for eradication of the corn borer.

### THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Floyd C. Shoemaker

March 1 marks the thirty-first anniversary of the Federal Soldiers' Home at St. James, and of the Confederate Soldiers' Home at Higginsville as State institutions. By virtue of laws approved on this date in the year 1897 both homes became the property of Missouri and have since been maintained by legislative appropriation as State institutions.

The Federal Soldiers' Home was founded in 1896 by the Missouri divisions of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps as a private charitable enterprise. It was incorporated at that time under the name of the "Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association", and the home was located at St. James in Phelps county, where a tract of fifty-nine acres of land adjoining the town was donated by its citizens. The object of the Association was to provide a comfortable home "for indigent Union veterans of the Civil War, their wives, their widows, and army nurses, where these worthy people would be supplied with the necessities of life, receive the benefit of medical attention, and thus be enabled to spend their last days free from want and care."

The Home remained under the management of the Woman's Relief Corps until 1897, when in accordance with law it was conveyed to the State and has since been known as the "Federal Soldiers' Home of Missouri". The act of the General Assembly providing for the transfer of the institution to the State required that the property should be acquired "for nominal consideration". The Board of Trustees appointed by the governor therefore paid the Woman's Relief Corps Association one dollar for the institution.

The Federal Soldiers' Home is well equipped to care for the aged persons committed to its charge. It has adequate dormitories, a dining-hall commissary and bakery, a hospital, a convalescent home, and a chapel for religious services, with space where moving picture and other entertainments may be given.

In recent years the law governing the Home has been amended granting admission to any indigent soldier or sailor of fifty years or more, who has been honorably discharged from the service of the United States, provided the applicant has been a resident of Missouri for two years. Wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors, within certain age limits, are also eligible for care in the Home. The United States Government pays

to the support of the institution \$30 a month for each Federal (Government) veteran maintained there. The average age of Civil War veterans in the Home is 84 years; that of Spanish-American War veterans is 59. The present enrollment totals 242—112 men and 130 women members.

The Confederate Soldiers' Home, maintained by the State since 1897 for ex-Confederate veterans, their wives and widows, is located at Higginsville in Lafayette County. It has the distinction of being the best and most efficiently conducted Confederate Home in the United States. Like the home for Federal veterans at St. James, it was first established as a private institution. About the year 1891, through the efforts of the Missouri divisions of the United Confederate Veterans Association and the Daughters of the Confederacy sufficient funds were raised by private subscription to purchase 362 acres of land on the outskirts of Higginsville. Here the nucleus of the present Home was built.

The rapid increase in the number of veterans enrolled and the increased cost of maintenance soon made it difficult to maintain the institution by private donations and in 1897 it was transferred to the State to become one of the regularly maintained eleemosynary institutions. Those eligible for entrance are soldiers who served in any part of the Confederate States Army or in the Missouri State Guard in 1861 or 1862, who have been residents of Missouri for two years prior to their application the wives and widows of such soldiers; and children up to fourteen years whose parents possess the necessary qualifications for entrance.

As at the home for Federal veterans, every effort is made to care for the aged members of the Home and to keep them well and happy. About twenty-five buildings make up the present equipment of the institution, among them a well-equipped hospital, recreation quarters, and a chapel where religious services are regularly held. The members of the Home now number 176. The average age of the members is 83 years.

In 1925, the 53rd General Assembly authorized the board of trustees of the Home to accept gifts and bequests toward a permanent endowment fund, the income to be used in establishing and maintaining a permanent "memorial park to the valor of Confederate soldiers". This park, laid out and landscaped on a 91-acre tract of the institution grounds, has added much to the beauty of the home. Six of its eight lakes have been stocked with fish by the State Game and Fish Department; trees and shrubs obtained through the efforts of the Missouri U. D. C. have been planted; and drive-ways have been made through the entire grounds. A monument to commemorate the courage and sacrifice of Missouri Confederate soldiers will eventually be placed in the park.

In a number of States testing cattle for tuberculosis in every county has become so much the rule that eradication is practically on a statewide basis. North Carolina leads in this movement, and cattle in about nine-tenths of its area have been tested. It is probable that before the end of 1928 the few remaining counties will have finished testing, in which case North Carolina will be the first State to be recognized officially as free from bovine tuberculosis.

## Fertilizers Improve Quality

In addition to increasing the yields of crops, fertilizers nearly always improve quality. Many experiments could be mentioned in support of this statement, but those that have been conducted at Newark, Delaware, and at Wooster, Ohio, will serve the purpose of this discussion.

For 18 years the Delaware Experiment Station has conducted an experiment with various fertilizers in a four-year rotation of corn, soybeans, wheat, and hay. The effect of 450 pounds of complete fertilizer containing 5 per cent of ammonia, 9 per cent of phosphoric acid, and 8 per cent of potash, is shown on the opposite page. The yield without fertilizer was 37.8 bushels per acre with only 22.5 bushels of sound corn, while the yield with fertilizer was 82.3 bushels per acre, of which 71.6 bushels were sound. These results are for the last eight years of the experiment.

In the same test the weight of wheat per bushel was 51.6 pounds without fertilizer and 58.8 pounds where complete fertilizer was used.

In the well known experiments at Wooster, Ohio, a careful study of the effect of fertilizer on the quality of wheat has been made. With no fertilizer the total yield per acre was only 8.4 bushels with 4.3 bushels of shriveled grain. Where a complete fertilizer was used, however, the acre-yield was 34.1 bushels with only 2.4 bushels of inferior grain.

These experiments and many others show how valuable fertilizers are in improving the quality of crops. The increase in yield is usually emphasized most, but the effect on quality should not be overlooked.

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### MORE POWER SAVES LABOR IN PLOWING

The use of larger teams or tractors speeds up the job of plowing, according to a study recently made by the New York College of Agriculture. Larger fields also help to save time when plowing, as less time is lost in turning at the ends. Irregular shaped fields cause much time to be lost, lowering the efficiency of the labor and equipment use.

Smaller teams on the same size plow walk more slowly and stop more often than do larger teams, while tractors travel still faster and require no time for resting. In spring plowing when it is often necessary to make the most of a few days of dry and favorable weather, the use of larger teams and tractors often pay larger dividends in getting the work done on time.

In the corn borer territory, more power is required for plowing than formerly, due to the necessity for deeper and better plowing with wider plows which are required to com-

pletely cover all stalks and stubble which might offer shelter for the borer.

Dawn—New bridge will be constructed at Carroll-Livingston county line.

Sir Austen Chamberlain says that war between England and America is unthinkable, all of which may be true, but then both England and America have some of the greatest unthinkers the world has ever known.—New York Evening Post.

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## CITY OFFICERS

For Mayor

N. E. FUCHS

For City Collector

S. N. SHEPHERD

W. ED HOLLINGSWORTH

For Constable in Richland Twp.

BROWN JEWELL

## FIRE PREVENTION

Many fires, perhaps a majority of them, are caused by some small oversight on the part of an individual. The fire at the Dr. E. J. Malone home was caused by a bed lamp which had burned a paper placed between the bulb and the fire frame, according to Fire Chief J. A. Young.

Caution should be used with all lamps which have cloth or paper shades that the shade or paper placed in it to divert the light, do not touch the bulb. The use of small bulbs is also advised. No person should leave a room while an electrical appliance is left burning, unless proper precaution has been taken. These are small things, but if they are watched much property can be saved.

The question of having Sunday picture shows is one that cannot be straddled indefinitely. The Standard is for almost anything that gives promise of bringing business to Sikeston. The merchants have been sorely tried the past several years and if a Sunday night picture show will bring people from other communities to our city who will spend money with the hotels, restaurants, oil stations, etc., we are for it. The window displays of our mercantile houses will bring many back on week days to trade. High grade pictures should not be objectionable and some would probably attend church services while others of the party would see the pictures. If you are really interested in seeing Sikeston progress do your part along that line.

## WASHINGTON

Rock of Gibraltar, he stands, ages past  
Over these fair lands firm and steadfast  
His light still held high  
In traditions firm hand  
With no brighter flame  
For the youth of our land.  
'Tis written in blood on the minds  
and the hearts  
No erasing that, the example im-  
parts.  
He who with Jesus walks hand in  
hand  
Stands firm in this and all other  
land.

—Minnie Sayers Smith

## TEAM WORK'S THE THING

We do not have to look away from home for a sought-for opportunity. To be sure, opportunities exist in other places, but to no greater extent, in proportion to the number of people looking for them, than right here in our community.

There are possibilities in this old home town of ours that are but awaiting development. There is opportunity in the community for those who are here, and there is opportunity for those who may come to us from the outside. We, as a community, ask others to come in with us in the development of what we know is a good community, a good place in which to live, a good place in which to do business.

It is not the individual, but the co-operative efforts, that make for the development of our community. Working together, we can and will attract to the community the people and the capital to help us in its development will make for opportunities for our home people and for those who join us. It will mean for us a community of more homes, of more business, of better schools, of better streets. A better community, and a better market place for the people of the town and for our farmer neighbors.

Let us work together to that end.

"Please do not consider this as a letter of advice. I merely wish to call your attention to the rain water that falls north of Sikeston and floods your city streets. If the concrete slab was laid on Kingshighway the necessary ditches would carry this water to the Iron Mountain Railway and could then be easily diverted to a dredge ditch. This drainage would be permanent and inexpensive to your city."—L. L. Hunter, Morley, Mo.

And now they are chewing the rag instead!

Some Democrats are trying to dig up a running-mate for Al Smith, and others are looking for a checkmate. —San Diego Union.

Undoubtedly, a son of the Prince of Wales would be heir to the throne. —Arkansas Gazette.

Our great party's attitude on farm relief seems to be that, if tariff revision downward on the big campaign contributors is necessary to attain the desired end, then the farmer does not need any relief.—Ohio State Journal.

## WILL MO. GO DEMOCRATIC?

The answer to the above question is to be found in the size of the rural vote next November. Rural Missouri is Democratic by a big majority. If the party leaders are real smart, they will not fail to take this fact seriously into consideration. Anything injected into the approaching campaign which stirs up the wholesome enthusiasm of the farmers and inhabitants of the small towns, means a successful year for Democracy in Missouri. Anything to the contrary insures a light country vote and a defeated Democracy. Reed and a group of city wets, assisted by some of their over-zealous country town supporters, can keep thousands of loyal Democrats at home in November by scheming for a wet or a "Reed" ticket from top to bottom. Senator Reed has it in his power to bring out an unprecedented large country vote by openly supporting candidates to the liking of the country people.—C. M. Hay for example. Rural Missouri supported Senator Hawes in the interest of party victory. Senator Reed surely will be generous enough before it is too late to tell rural Missouri where he stands on its candidates and on its right to assist him in rolling up an old time Democratic majority in November against graft, crime and the wholesale inefficiencies with which the Coolidge and Eaker administrations have been afflicted. Rural Missouri wants to follow the banner of "fighting Jim Reed" to the goal of honesty in government—and wholly unmixed with any of his personal attacks upon candidates whom the country people choose to support. Rural Missouri will send a unanimous Reed delegation to St. Joseph, not because Reed or his supporters have conquered the country Democracy but because the country Democracy wants to see state and national victories in November. And the country Democracy of Missouri believes no man in the nation is more qualified to "kick the rascals out" at Washington and Jefferson City than is our senior senator. It is hoped that he will be far-visioned enough to analyze correctly the country situation and then be general enough to guide his campaign along the pathway which can be followed by the tens of thousands of Woodrow Wilson and C. M. Hay Democrats!—Fayette Advertiser.

Mexico is revising its political procedure, and it might be a good idea to pass a rule that no man be allowed to run for President unless he can prove he has funeral expenses.—New York Evening Post.

The dahlia was named after Dahl, a Swedish botanist; the fuchsia after Leonard Fuchs, a German botanist. Camellias take their name from George Joseph Kamel, a Jesuit traveler. The flaming Christmas flower, the poinsettia, was introduced into the United States by a Southern physician, J. R. Poinsett. The poinciana derived its name from the former governor of the Antilles, Ponci. Cinchona, or Peruvian bark, the source of quinine, was named after the Countess of Chincón, vice-queen of Peru, who in 1638 was cured of a fever by its use. Peony comes from Paion, the physician of the gods, the flower having been used in medicine. —The Mentor.

BLAMES G. O. P.  
PROTECTIVE TARIFF  
FOR ILLS OF FARMER

Tulsa, Okla., February 21.—The Republican protective tariff law was blamed for the ills of the farmers by Senator Reed of Missouri tonight in the second prepared address of his Western Democratic presidential campaign.

"If the farmer could buy on the same price level upon which he must sell," Senator Reed declared, "he would have an even chance in the race of life. But the manufacturers, chiefly of the East, were determined to deny him that natural right."

Renewing the war on "corruption in government," which he declared last night in Texas, the Missourian insisted the present tariff act was enacted in response to "the vast sums of money put up by these manufacturers to elect the Republican ticket."

Because of the tariff he argued that the farmer was compelled to sell upon the European level "and then to buy upon a level which had been artificially boosted by a tariff law and by combinations back of that law."

The militant Missourian found a fertile field here to preach the gospel of party harmony to which he pledged his campaign in the West. He took cognizance of factional difficulties in this State but said he knew nothing of the merits of these controversies.

"We all hope," he said, "to see the Oklahoma Democrats fall in line, right dress and eyes front, advance against the common foe."

He found a "Reed-for-President Club" already organized under the leadership of J. H. Maxie and he was assured by Maxie of friendly sentiment in this state but in two receptions during the day with Democratic leaders of the State, who called at his hotel room, the Senator steered away from political discussions.

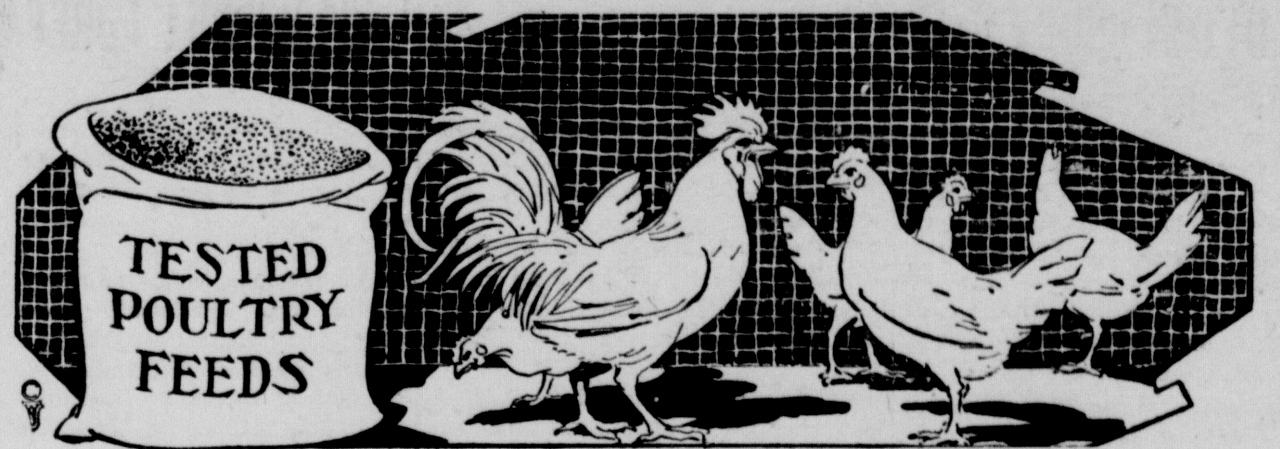
With no reference to prohibition in his prepared speech, the Senator was asked about that subject here today by a newspaper man, and he replied in measured words that "Democrats have bigger fish to fry than prohibition."

At noon he spoke informally to the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, and in what he described as a "non-political speech" he put forward a proposal for a billion dollar bond issue by the government to be used in inland waterways and harbor improvements. He called the present rivers and harbors program "idiotic" and insisted the job of making rivers navigable must be completed at once to be of help. It would be of help, he said, in reduced freight rates.

NEW MADRID COUNTY  
FARM BUREAU NEWS

Plans have been completed and the entire program arranged for holding the Outlook Meeting for farmers upon February 29th beginning at 9:30 a. m. in the New Madrid County Court House. County Extension Agent Scott M. Julian, urges that all farmers who possibly can, arrange to be present at this meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to look ahead as much as possible, and with the help of all available data and statistics in determining the prospects for the various phases of livestock and field crop farming. There will be speakers who will hold these discussions with the farmers present, and who are particularly qualified in certain branches of farming. There is no question but what the meeting will be invaluable to the man who is trying to determine a better crop system, or to foresee the possible trend of prices.

The Parma Truck Growers' Association is again busy signing up acreages of radishes, cabbage, cucumbers and potatoes among the people of the Parma community. This organization began its work last year, but unfortunately, due to the adverse weather conditions, ditch overflows, and bad railway connections, cabbage was the only outstanding profitable vegetable grown. The Parma people, however, believe in giving the truck growing phase a fair chance before forming any opinion, and are therefore planning on acreages again this year. Mr. George M. Meier, the manager of the Association, James McMullin, Mayor of Parma, and a member of the Association, have both stated that they intend to sign up 100 acres of radishes, and 40 acres of cabbage. The Association members and interested farmers are holding a meeting on Friday afternoon, February 24 at Parma for the purpose of discussing contracting and selling of the vegetables. County Agent Scott M. Julian will be present and also Charles Baker of Senath, known as the Radish King of Southeast Missouri. Mr. Baker is the manager of the Dunklin County Truck Growers' Association which has an acreage of 1000 radishes contracted for this year.

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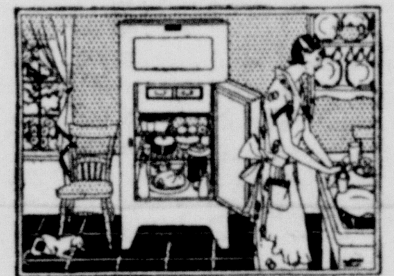
Washington, February 21.—With-out protest or debate, the House yesterday approved a bill to enable mothers and widows of war veterans buried in Europe to make a pilgrimage to American cemeteries overseas at Government expense. The widows would be restricted to those who have those who have not remarried.

The measure, which now goes to the Senate, would empower the President, in co-operation with the American Red Cross, to arrange for the pilgrimages "at any time during the period of three years from July 1, 1928."

The mothers and widows would be taken to Europe in groups. Each group would remain abroad approximately two weeks and in no case longer than three, unless return transportation were unavailable. First-class accommodations would be provided either on Government-owned or chartered ships. Passports would be arranged for by the State Department and immigration laws

would be suspended in the case of aliens. The bill, sponsored by Chairman Butler of the House Naval Committee, would not call for a specific appropriation, authorizing the expenditure of "such sum as may be necessary". During consideration of the bill by the House Military Com-

mittee it was estimated by Mrs. Mathilda A. Burling, national representative of the Gold Star Mothers Association of America, that not in excess of 3000 mothers would desire to make the trip. There are approximately 30,000 American soldiers, sailors and marines buried in Europe.

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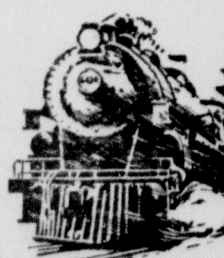
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## The Green Cloak

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### CHAPTER XI

The doctor's prediction regarding the escape of Wilkins and the girl came true. It was all of twenty-four hours before the wires were working again; and the search, which could not fairly begin until that time, proved absolutely futile. The automobile was found next day, very early in the morning, standing in front of the Western station, the very place where we had started in on our ride to Oak Ridge. But the oddly assorted pair, who must have driven back to town in it that night, disappeared as completely as if the earth had swallowed them up.

It was a long while before Ashton would admit the probability, or even the possibility, that he had lost them. Their escape must have ranked, for he never, voluntarily, spoke of the Oak Ridge affair, and he treated all reference to it, however indirect, in a manner which did not encourage discussion.

I think that, in his heart, Doctor McAllister found it impossible to be sorry that Wilkins had got off. It is one thing to know, as a matter of fact, that a man is a knave and that he richly deserves to be hung; but it is another thing to wish, devoutly, for such a consummation. We had liked Wilkins, and the strange, uncanny revelations regarding his past, which the doctor's merciless instruments had betrayed to us, were not strong enough to change that liking.

What we regretted most, in our discussions over the affair, was our fragmentary knowledge of it. One thing certain about it all seemed to be that we should never know.

But in that conclusion, strangely enough, we were wrong. Only a few

days ago (and it is now more than two years since the events I have here chronicled took place) the doctor came into my office waving a letter.

"Look at the handwriting first," he said, "and see if you can guess who it's from."

I took the thing in my hand, and frowned over it for a moment in complete perplexity. It was familiar, almost as familiar as my own, and yet I could not place it.

But as I gazed, some vague suggestion of delicate French potages and entrees came into my mind. I started, and dropped the letter on my desk.

"Not—not Wilkins!" I cried.

The doctor smiled broadly. "Read what he's got to say."

I needed no second invitation. "Doctor McAllister:

"Respected Sir: I have long intended to write to you to tell you how Jane Perkins and I are getting along. Hoping you might be interested, I

have taken up the white man's burden, as the poet says, and I find that it takes up most of my time, even though this island of mine is small (about ten square miles) and the population not numerous.

"Perkins and I (or Fanenna as she is called by her own people) are married and living very happy. Now that I am, in a sort, king here—trusting that you will pardon the liberty, sir—and obliged to make all the laws as well as enforce them, I am filled with regret for my former irregularities, though I may say that they have turned out well in the end.

"I did not murder Henry Morgan. Fanenna did, although she does not know it, and I would not tell her so for worlds. Perhaps I had better tell my story in order.

"Morgan was a villain and he deserved exactly what he got—if I may be allowed that opinion, sir. Circumstances may have justified him in killing Captain Franklin; indeed, there is no doubt that it had to be one or the other of them; and in robbing him of his money and his map, he only did what others, perhaps, would have done in his place. But he did an inexcusable thing, when he lodged an information with the authorities against the rest of us. The act was not necessary to his escape, for he could have got off scotfree anyway. But he wanted Franklin's treasure all to himself, and he thought if he could get us all hanged there would be none to dispute it with him. I found out in time what he had done, and I escaped; but the other poor fellows were caught and paid the penalty of their faith in a traitor.

"I went to America, but not in pursuit of Morgan. I did not know that he had gone there, and I wanted nothing more to do with him anyway, as I had decided to settle down and lead a respectable life. It pays just as well as the other and it's much more comfortable. This may surprise you, but it's true—I do not refer to the tips I earned as head waiter at The Meredith. That was not my trade so much as it was my recreation. In my youth I made the acquaintance of a palm reader and spiritualist, and this was the profession I took upon coming to your city. It was not long before I was able to organize this industry and to hire others to do the actual work. I supervised it all, and as head waiter at The Meredith, I was able to learn much about our smart people, which could be told to them again by palmists and mediums, with very good effect.

"It was in this connection that I became acquainted with Jane Perkins. A medium I employed, whose apartment was not far from The Meredith, discovered her, and was using her trance states very effectively as a control. I got the greatest surprise of my life the first time I ever heard her talking Maori, a language which I understand and speak, as I suspect that you do. From her talk I discovered that she was my old captain's daughter, and that she had inherited his secret. This was coming rather too close to home for comfort, as you will well understand, so I took her out of the spiritualist business, much as I regretted to do so, for she was very valuable, and got her employed as chambermaid at The Meredith.

"We were out walking together one day when her subjective state came over her without warning. She darted ahead of me, and I saw that she was tracking some one through the streets, by the scent. I followed her. Luckily it was dark, and we were not molested. She traveled very fast and overtook the person she was following, just as

he was entering the Western station. I caught one look at him and saw that he was Henry Morgan.

"I succeeded in rousing her out of her state, for I did not want anything to happen just then and there. But I was determined to find where he lived and to get his map away from him. It did him no good, as there was neither latitude and longitude marked upon it, and this was the secret which Fanenna had told me.

"On the night when the unfortunate incident occurred which caused you and Mr. Ashton to interest yourselves in the case, we had gone out to Oak Ridge to make an attempt to secure the map. Nothing more than that, I assure you, sir. I had hypnotized her in order that she might lead me, by means of her extraordinary sense of smell, to the house where he lived, but she ran on ahead too fast for me to follow her. The crime was already committed, if you can call it a crime, before I reached the house.

"I tried to get her to go home with me, making no attempt to find the map at that time, but she was greatly excited and dangerous. So I was obliged to go away without her. I was unable to find her from that time.

until she came back to The Meredith of her own accord, the day after she made her second visit to the Morgan house at the time when you were there.

"It was during my absence from the hotel, and without my knowledge, that she answered the advertisement for the cloak, indeed, I did not know that she had done so, until you spoke to me concerning it that night at dinner. At that time it seemed safer to permit you to make the examination which you wished to make, than to try to prevent the examination from taking place, for she was now Jane Perkins, perfectly ignorant of everything connected with the affair.

"How you found out her true connection with it, as well as mine, I have no idea. I did not know you had done so, until I tore open the envelope in the hall and found it empty. Then I knew that it was time to act.

"There is one thing more, before I close, which you may think wants an explanation. I said just now that Fanenna did not know that she had killed old Morgan, and yet she is Fanenna rather than Jane Perkins, although she is not exactly either one of them. She is no longer subject to those trance states of hers, and her character seems to be a mixture of the two distinct persons which she was before that night when you took her out to Oak Ridge with you. Her memories of all her past are, I am thankful to say, extremely vague, though she remembers some things out of both of them. She can talk both Maori and English as well as I, and she says it is because when she was a Maori girl she heard a voice speaking to her in English, and ordering her to understand it. This seems great nonsense to me, but it may be that you will see some meaning in it.

"I will close by saying that the map which I found in old Morgan's house that night was worth all the trouble



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"Fanenna wishes to be remembered to you and Mr. Phelps, and also to Mr. Ashton, whom she used to admire very greatly when she was chambermaid at The Meredith.

"I should enjoy a visit from you very much, but I fear it will be impossible, for reasons which you will doubtless understand, for me even to

suggest such a thing. But please believe me, sir,

"Yours most gratefully and respectfully,

"WILKINS,  
"Rona Island."

"P. S. You have seen a map of this island, or a part of it, and above is the name I have given it; but I must imitate the wisdom and discretion of my old chief, and omit to mention latitude and longitude."

The doctor met my eye as I laid the paper down. "You don't happen to know the latitude and longitude, do you, Phelps?" he asked, laughing.

"Do you?" I exclaimed, with a rather startled look into his twinkling gray eyes.

"Do you remember those queer syllables that Fanenna repeated to us that night when she told us her story, the syllables that neither she nor I understood?"

Then, mimicking her strange guttural voice (and I will admit that even now the mere sound of it made me shiver a little), he said, "Ouan feef, ti oues. Ten sout."

Over and over he repeated them, his smile growing broader and more tantalizing, as I still failed to understand. Then, all at once, I got it.

"One fifty west. Ten south!" I shouted.

"Not so loud," he said in mock alarm. "Ashton might hear you and, on the whole," he added, smiling thoughtfully, but still half-seriously, "on the whole, I'd rather Ashton didn't know."

"You can show him the letter, at any rate," said I.

There came a knock at the door just then, a knock we knew.

"Come in," called the doctor. "Come in, Ashton. Here's a letter that may interest you."

[THE END.]

### NEGRO SLAYER FIGHTS RETURN TO NEW MADRID

New Madrid, February 21.—Authorities of New Madrid county apparently have met gubernatorial opposition in their effort to return to Missouri Willie (Cornbread) Brown, a negro, wanted here for the slaying 13 years ago near Point Pleasant of Harry Johnson, a white man.

Brown was arrested two weeks ago in Columbus, O., after another negro is said to have "squealed" on him. Gov. Sam A. Baker immediately issued requisition papers for the return of Brown to Missouri for trial, and the papers were sent to Gov. Vic Donahey of Ohio.

Louis Hacker, who was made a special deputy, was sent to Columbus to get the negro. When he arrived there, he identified Brown from a number of other prisoners, but action on the application for extradition was delayed.

Hacker returned here today, after Gov. Donahey ordered a continuance, holding that more evidence was necessary before requisition would be allowed.

Brown is alleged to have shot and killed Johnson, while the latter was foreman at a levee camp near Point Pleasant. The negro escaped, and although there was a big reward offered for his arrest, he could not be located. Hacker is said to have been present at the time of the killing.

What kind of a government is it that provides refuges for wild birds and none for the hard-working politician who has been asked to explain in full his attitude on Prohibition?—Detroit News.

### COLD CHILLS!

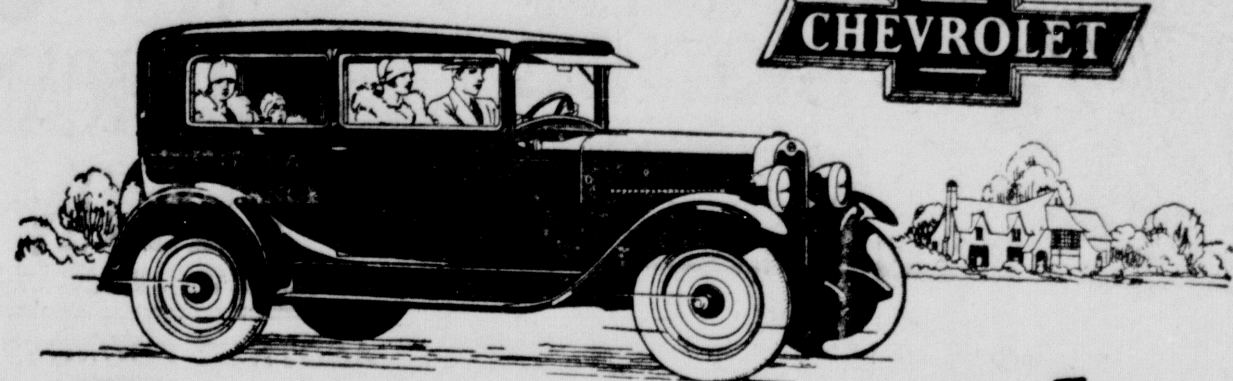
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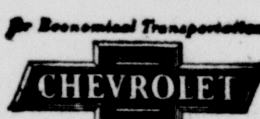
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The other paroles went to Frank W. Craig of Boone County and Arthur Loftis of Douglas County.

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In the preceding article, attention was called to the take-outs of a partner's no-trump bid that are based on distribution. Here is another fine example of the benefits that accrue when a player follows this system:

Hearts—7  
Clubs—10, 8, 7, 2  
Diamonds—A, J, 8, 5, 4, 3  
Spades—10, 9  
Y  
A B  
Z  
Hearts—A, 5  
Clubs—A, K, Q, 6  
Diamonds—Q, 10, 2  
Spades—A, Q, J, 8

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one no-trump. A passed and Y bid two diamonds, scoring five odd, game and rubber. If he had allowed

Answer to Problem No. 31  
Hearts—5, 2  
Clubs—K, J, 10, 5  
Diamonds—A, J, 10, 5  
Spades—10, 9, 8

Hearts—K, J, 10, 6, 4  
Clubs—Q, 5, 3, 2  
Diamonds—Q, 8, 4, 3  
Spades—none

Y  
A B  
Z  
Hearts—A, 9, 3  
Clubs—A, 9, 8, 7  
Diamonds—K  
Spades—Q, J, 7, 4, 3

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one spade. A bid two hearts, Y bid two spades and B bid three hearts. Z bid three spades. A and Y passed and B doubled. Z and A passed and Y redoubled. All passed and A opened the six of hearts. Y played the deuce, B the queen and Z the trey. B now led the eight. Z played the ace and A and Y followed suit. How should Z play the hand from now on? Z should lead the nine of hearts and trump in Y's hand with the eight of spades. Y should now lead the ten of spades which B must win with the king. B should now lead the four of clubs which Y should win. Y should now lead the nine of spades which B should refuse to win.

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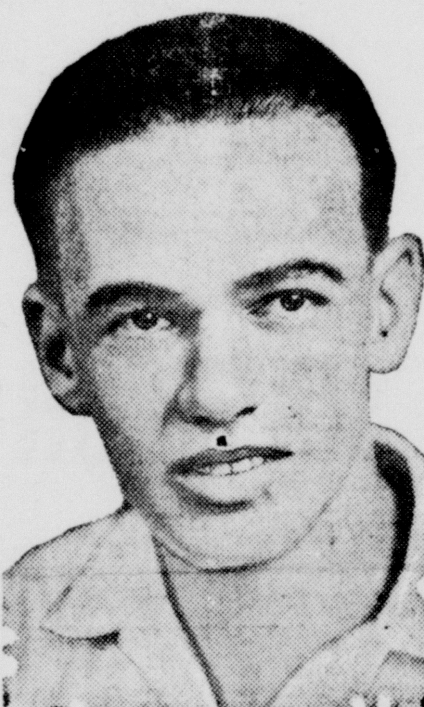
### ANOTHER YOUNGEST IN LEGION'S RANKS

Occasionally a wave of claims and counter-claims sweeps through American Legion posts throughout the country regarding who was the youngest man in the fighting forces of the United States in the World War. Colorado recently started the argument all over again, and was answered by a post in Omaha, which brought forth the following letter from Joe Frank, editor of "The Cracker Legionnaire" of Florida and vice president of the American Legion Press association:

"I have been sitting back listening to all these other posts yell about the youngest Legionnaire," the letter reads, "and now it seems as if they have all reported in. I think that I am able to show them all up by reporting Comrade George E. MacKenzie of 1434 N. E. First street, Miami, Fla., who is a member of the Harvey Seeds post."

"He enlisted December 28, 1917, in Savannah, Ga., at the age of thirteen. He was born in Savannah June 16, 1904. He enlisted on December 28, 1917, went overseas March, 1918, in Company E of the Thirty-eighth Infantry, Third division, as a private."

"Soon after he arrived overseas, his age was discovered, and he was sent back of the lines and detailed to hos-



George E. MacKenzie.

pital duty. He was discharged January 5, 1919, at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., and he will be twenty-three years of age June 16, 1927."

The most recent claims are shown in the following table:

Colorado, Bybee B. Baird; Born March 20, 1902; Enlisted August, 1917.  
Nebraska, Max Tennebaum; Born May 3, 1903; Enlisted May 28, 1917.  
Oregon, George L. Bunce; Born April 10, 1903; Enlisted March 27, 1917.  
Florida, George E. MacKenzie; Born June 16, 1904; Enlisted December 28, 1917.

Bunce had a hard time getting into the service.

"I borrowed my big brother's long pants and went down to the armory and told them I was eighteen," he said recently. Bunce went overseas with the First division of regulars, served on the front in four major offensives, was wounded and gassed.

Tennebaum served overseas with the Eighty-third Field artillery. He is president of Omaha Local No. 41, International Alliance of Billers and Bill Posters, and is believed to be the youngest known president of such a union in the world.

Baird is a member of the Pueblo (Colo.) post of the Legion. He enlisted to join his brother, who was in the first supply train of the First division.

### Florida Post Aids in Cleaning Up Beaches

In one Saturday afternoon the Melbourne (Fla.) post of The American Legion transformed the appearance of the city's waterfront. The entire membership of the post turned out in bathing suits, row boats and hip boots and went to work clearing up the beaches.

Several useless piers were destroyed, the piling being pulled up with the aid of a tractor loaned by a local contractor. An old fishing house which had once stood at the end of a pier but half submerged, was torn down and the lumber floated ashore. The house will be reconstructed near the American Legion hall and used as headquarters for Boy Scouts.

### Mystery Solved

A certain dusky promoter was haled into court charged with trying to sell life insurance without a license?

"Now, Sam," said the judge severely, "don't you know you can't sell life insurance without a license?"

Sam's eyes widened as a great light dawned upon him.

"Well, dawgone me! Ah been wonderin' why Ah couldn't sell no life insurance!"—American Legion Monthly

## RADIO

An R. F. Amplifier  
Will Aid Quality

Compensates for Loss of Energy Caused by the Detector Tube.

Properly designed radio frequency amplifiers contribute not only to sensitivity of a receiving set but also to its tone quality, according to results obtained from a series of tests conducted in one of the laboratories of a large radio company.

The function of a high frequency amplifier in the latter sense may be difficult to comprehend at first, since, according to theory, it is credited only with amplification of very weak signals to a point where they are of sufficient intensity to operate the detector tube. To understand the manner in which an r. f. amplifier improves quality, a study of the function of the detector tube will be found useful.

In effect, a detector tube is really a "distortion" device since it is by distorting one-half the incoming radio frequency wave that the signal is made audible. The distortion of this incoming wave is accomplished by operating the detector tube at grid and plate voltage values where a slight positive charge will result in an abnormal plate current and a negative charged subnormal plate current with respect to the effect of similar charges on the grid if the tube were operated on the "straight" part of its grid volts—plate current characteristic curve. Thus, the incoming wave train, having positive and negative alternations, will be represented in the plate circuit in the form of abnormal plate current for the negative half and it is this difference of plate current value that causes an audible sound in the phones.

Since it is only the difference between the distorted positive and negative half cycles that is responsible for reproduction, it is evident that much of the signal strength is lost in the process—the lower half of the wave entirely missing, plus that part of the upper half lost through the opposing effect of the distorted lower half. For this reason, weak signals must be amplified before detection, if results of any kind are desired.

In the audio frequency end of the receiver it is found that, due to inertia of reproducing mechanisms, the air and, last but not least, the detector tube, considerable energy is required to reproduce faithfully musical tones in the lower register.

Powerful audio amplification will overcome the effect on inertia of air and reproducing mechanisms, but it cannot compensate for the loss of energy caused by the detector tube. The only remedy for this is amplification before detection. Thus the radio frequency amplifier comes into its own as a contributor to good audio reproduction, and the more well-designed stages ahead of the detector the better the quality at the output of the set. There is one drawback, however, in multistage radio frequency amplification, and this is due to pickup and interstage coupling between various coils in the receiver. With several stages of tuned radio frequency amplification, a receiver becomes so sensitive that coils in the set tend to act as miniature loop aerials and thus broaden tuning and destroy selectivity.

Such effects, however, are neutralized with the use of individual stage shields which not only eliminate external pickup and prevent interstage coupling, but also, by virtue of introduction into the fields of the coils, tend to stabilize still further the receiver against oscillation. Most shields designed for this purpose are made of aluminum and are so planned that the covers are mounted on the subpanel or baseboard and the can proper slipped into place after all wiring has been completed.

### Low Impedance Tubes Help Audio Amplifier

An audio amplifier is greatly improved if the tubes used possess low output impedance values. This is particularly true if the amplifier coupling unit are transformers designed several years ago. This should be of special interest to receiver owners who purchased their equipment two or three years ago. The improvement in quality amplification with old type transformers was conclusively demonstrated in a series of experiments conducted at the Zetka laboratories with some of their low output impedance tubes.

Good quality radio amplification cannot be obtained unless the low notes are satisfactorily amplified, and if low output impedance tubes are used better energy transfer on low notes will be obtained. As a matter of fact, better energy transfer will be obtained on all frequencies. Usually a tube with a low output impedance has a low amplification constant, but the overall amplification of the tube-coupling unit is very seldom lowered, because with the lower output impedance and a constant load impedance a greater portion of the voltage available in the tube is delivered to the load. Use low impedance tubes in all sockets in the audio amplifier.

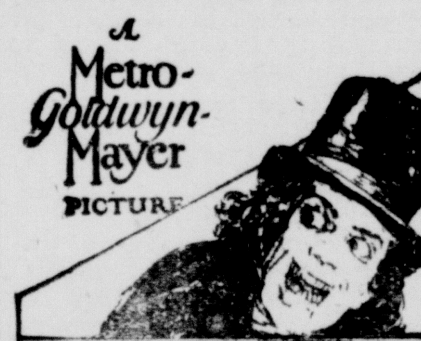
## MALONE THEATRE

7:00 O'clock Nightly



TUESDAY

**LON CHANEY**  
in  
**LONDON AFTER MIDNIGHT**



Meet Burke, of Scotland Yard—He's working on the most baffling crime in years, and he'll take you along. But don't go unless you can stand excitement and are ready for a lot of surprises. Maybe you think you can tell who killed Roger Balfour, but you can't be sure till the end. (One thing is certain—this is Chaney's finest screen role!)

NEWS AND COMEDY  
Admission 15c and 35c

WEDNESDAY

**CLARA BOW**  
**"My Lady of Whims"**

A Dalia Fitzgerald Production with DONALD KREITH, CARMELITA GECAGHTY and LEE MORAN  
Adapted to the screen from "Protecting Prudence" by Edgar Franklin

NEWS AND COMEDY  
Admission 10c and 25c

THURSDAY

**"Sailors Wives"**  
with

MARY ASTOR & LLOYD HUGHES  
If you were a beautiful young girl and had only six months to live, would you resign yourself to fate or try to fill the fleeting hours with every possible enjoyment? Filmdom's most glorious lovers bring this sensational story to you in terms of never-to-be-forgotten drama!

CARTOON AND COMEDY  
Admission 10c and 25c

VENTILATORS REDUCE  
BARN FIRE HAZARD

Adequate ventilation of the dairy or stock barn is one important safeguard against fires. If the barn is not properly ventilated, moisture often collects on the roof and sides of the barn during cold weather, causing water to drop from the roof to the loose hay in the mow and creating favorable conditions for spontaneous ignition. In a well ventilated barn, however, the moisture laden air from the livestock is carried off without condensation, keeping the barn dry and at an even temperature. Extensive tests by practical dairy-men and agricultural college experiment stations have also proven that a well ventilated barn is necessary if high producing dairy cows are to be kept in good health.

In marketing wheat there is need for more accurate determination of qualities and values at country stations and terminal markets so that premiums for protein and other special qualities in the wheat may be more truly reflected to the country elevators and to the producers. Farmers' elevators, the United States Department of Agriculture believes, should take the lead in bringing about the reform.

FRIDAY  
Afternoon and Evening

**WILLIAM FOX**  
PRESENTS  
**SILK LEGS**



With  
MADGE BELLAMY, JAMES HALL, JOSEPH CAWTHORN and MAUDE FULTON

Story by Frederica Sagor  
A comedy of competition with Madge Bellamy demonstrating the goods as a silk stocking salesgirl on the road to happiness.

PATHE REVIEW and COMEDY  
Bargain Matinee Every Friday at 3 p. m. Admission 10c & 25c  
Nite 7:00 p. m. 15c and 35c

SATURDAY

Continuous show—2:30 to 10:30  
BUCK JONES in

**"Blood Will Tell"**

A thrilling romance of laws and out-laws with

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and a cast of favorites

Hard fists and a soft heart—cool headed courage and white hot love—this is the blend in a picture of strangely mingled emotions!  
AESOP FABLES and Episode No 7  
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Continuous Show 2:30 to 10:30.  
2:30 to 6:30 Admission 10c & 25c  
6:30 to 10:30 Admission 15c & 25c

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Maggie Dickerson to R. C. Marshall lots 5-6 block 2 Peal 2nd addition Blodgett, \$450.

G. C. Duncan to Lula Guess, lot 12 block 8 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$2100.

Harold Duke to Roy Pearson, lot 8 block 13 Chaffee, \$1.

J. E. Smith to Mrs. Irene Ford, part lot 10 block 16, Morley, \$1250.

M. Q. Tanner to H. D. Rodges, E. R. Tirmenstein nad George J. Arnold, lot 6 block 5 High School addition Sikeston, \$275.

Chas. Wilhelm to Margaret Woolsey, lot 3 block 12 Chaffee, \$500.

Wm. Day to O. H. and H. M. Monroe, part lots 1, 2 block 1 Kelso, \$183.75.

G. W. Fenimore to R. L. Fenimore, lots 12, 13 block 3 Sikes 3rd addition Sikeston, \$250.

H. E. Arnold to J. R. Franck, lot 4, part lot 3, block 32 Chaffee, \$2200.

J. P. Lightner to Mary Gully, lot 13 block 2 Fairview addition Illmo, \$20.—Benton Democrat.

The Standard \$1.50, per year.

MONDAY  
Afternoon and Evening  
As big as the giants around which it is written!

**MILTON SILLS**  
The VALLEY of the GIANTS



**DORIS KENYON**

by Peter B. Kyne  
with DORIS KENYON, ARTHUR STONE, PAUL HURST, GEORGE FAWCETT

The Valley of the Giants will be heaven to you when you see this dramatic characterization of Peter B. Kyne's most romantic adventure-drama. You will remember the sterling acting, inspiring love scenes and rugged fights for days and days! It's the Goliath of screen dramas!

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Nite 7:00 p. m. 15c and 35c

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### Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Katherine S. Duncan, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1928.

S. P. BRITE,  
Administrator.

### Notice of Administration

Notice Is Hereby Given, That Letters of Administration on the estate of Levi Proudy, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of August, 1926, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

M. E. Proudy,  
Administrator.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County, (SEAL)

THOS. B. DUDLEY,  
Probate Judge.



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**WGN—Chicago Tribune Station.** Every Saturday 8-9 P. M. Central Standard Time.

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When you visit away from home tell your friends of what an attractive little city we have. Tell them of its many advantages, of its schools, of its churches, of its business places, of its opportunities for profitable investment. It is all that you will say about it, and more.

We have a community filled with live, progressive, prosperous people. We have attractive homes. We have good stores that are entitled to and are receiving the patronage of the people of the community who are interested in and working for community growth. We want the world to know these things, and it is your province as a citizen, as one of us, to do your part in boosting this home town of ours.

Be a booster.

The Standard \$1.50, per year.

**GEORGE BEVELY, NEGRO  
PORTER, TELLS OF LUCK  
AND HOW IT CHANGED**

George Bevely, negro porter at the Del Rey Hotel, has been having bad luck for the last month but it changed early Friday morning—and got worse. George was forced to look down the business-end of a "six-gun" as he happened to be in the Frisco waiting room when the station agent was held up early Friday and had to give his last five dollars.

"On de very second day ob de month de ground hog had to see his shadow, and dat started me off wrong", George moaned, "and den my money troubles really started". George was cleaning his room and gathered up his pocketbook containing \$13 with the rubbish, burning the lot before he discovered his loss. The next stroke came in a dice game (which he quickly explained was not in Scott County—in fact, not in the State of Missouri) for here George went to the wall to the extent of some fifteen dollars. Then too, George has had other difficulties which he is more secretive about.

In describing the hold-up, George said that when the three men entered the station with Mr. Scott Leyerle ahead of them, he had just become comfortable one of the soft wood benches in the waiting room, but that it was not so comfortable when one of the men approached him with the usual order of "stick 'em up". He said that the man asked him if he had any money and that he replied that he did not, whereupon the unbelieving man went through George's pockets and extracted his last five spot.

"When the hold-up was over, I took out for town", he related. "And as I neared the grade school building I saw two men doing considerable running. I thought they were running after me so I really did some running myself then". (Later investigation showed that the running men were probably just getting out of George's way).

"When I got to the Hotel Marshall I stopped until I saw a good chance when I ran on over to the Del Rey and hid because I figured that maybe the men would follow me and shoot me so I couldn't give no evidence against them", he concluded.

Bevely thinks, perhaps his luck will change now, but he says he doesn't care for any more hold-ups.

**Washington Letter**

(By W. L. Nelson, Rep. 8th Mo. Dis.)

It has been said, and I believe it true, that the worst lobby in Washington is the social lobby. The representatives of special interests play upon the well-known weaknesses of the socially ambitious and in this way may influence some who would resent any offer of political preferment or financial gain. Back of many a little "tea", "at home", or reception I suspect, is the desire to reach some man in public life, perhaps to reach him through his wife or through the charm and grace of some other woman. In its effort to defeat desirable legislation or to assist in the passage of bad bills, the social lobby is as dangerous as the propaganda stuff sent out from Washington in the form of bales of letters and prepared copy for the press.

For the second time, Sinclair, wealthy oil operator, has been sentenced to jail, although he has yet to serve his first sentence. Burns, detective, and his son, also Day, a business associate of Sinclair, were likewise found guilty in the oil contempt trial growing out of jury shadowing in the Fall-Sinclair case here in Washington a few weeks ago.

The entire oil scandal is one of the most shameful in American history and the pity is that the guilty have never yet been punished. Right now when cartoons and editorials are being used to prevent or discredit proposed investigations in other fields, it is well to remember that the same methods were used when the oil investigation was first proposed six years ago. At that time the cry was of "politics" and "persecution", in the hope that the rascals might escape.

Seventeen years ago Iowa sent W. R. Green (Rep.) to Congress. Through the working of the seniority rule, he became chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, which position he now resigns to become a judge, for life, of the United States Court of Claims, at an annual salary of \$12,500. It is hinted that the Treasury Department is pleased to have Green go to his new post in the hope that his successor may prove more "pliable". We are told, "In the preparation of the last two tax bills, Mr. Green refused to follow entirely the recommendations of Secretary Mellon and has shown a tendency not always to be in sympathy with the President's policies". For one thing, the Iowa representatives stood for the estate tax, objected to by Mellon and other millionaires.

A bill unanimously passed by the House provides that mothers having sons who died in the World War and who are buried abroad may, any time within three years after July 1, 1928, visit said graves at government expense. The same privilege is extended to unmarried widows of such soldiers. It is estimated that about 3000 women, all told, may visit the graves of their dead.

The House, by unanimous vote, has passed a World War Veterans' bill to extend for a period of two years the time in which application may be filed for adjusted compensation. It has also passed a bill authorizing a pension increase from \$30 to \$40 per month for Civil War widows married since 1905 and who are 75 years of age.

I was the only Democrat to vote against reporting out the flood control bill from our committee. This bill, while containing some good features, does not meet the requirements of Missouri and especially of the Eighth district. Everybody believes that it must be amended and I wished to be left in a position to consistently offer amendments. First, not enough work is to be done on the tributaries, and it is here that our people are primarily concerned. In the second place, the entire item for bank revetment is omitted from the amount carried in the committee measure. Without revetment it is in many places impossible to hold the banks as well as levees and to maintain a channel for river navigation. In this connection Colonel Charles L. Potter, chairman of the Mississippi River Commission and for many years stationed in St. Louis, was asked the question, "Is bank revetment essential both for flood control and for navigation?" His answer was, "Decidedly, absolutely".

I have made a fight for the people of the lower Mississippi where under the bill flood control work is to be done at Federal expense. But in fairness to our own territory, the work of revetment, of stopping the caving and cutting of banks must go on. If not, millions spent will be wasted and there will be no permanent channel, so necessary if barges are to carry freight between Kansas City, St. Louis and New Orleans.

Since the committee bill was reported, a large number of Democrats and Republicans have joined forces to

secure greater recognition for the tributary rivers. It is also certain that the bill, if it ever passes, will carry money for revetment work. Another suggestion is that the work should not be placed entirely in the hands of army engineers. The bill as drawn is satisfactory neither to the President nor to the country as a whole.

Smith of Illinois, having "resigned" the seat in the Senate which that body properly refused him, has been appointed to fill the vacancy and will also again try for renomination. No wonder Will Rogers, in writing of Nicaragua, says, "We have the marines on horseback down there now watching the voters. It's a great idea for Nicaragua, but we haven't got enough marines and enough horses to even patrol the Pennsylvania and Illinois precincts".

The slowness with which justice sometimes moves is shown in a matter on which we this week received a favorable report from the Committee on Pensions. Twenty-eight years ago a young man, Alexander Cooper, while serving as a soldier in the Philippines, was murdered by natives who then threw the body into a river. A year later application for pension was made in behalf of the mother, Mrs. Almanza Korse of near Prairie Home, Cooper County. Although efforts were made by each succeeding representative from the district, the Pension Bureau continued in its refusal to report favorably. A few weeks ago, having secured all available evidence, I introduced a special bill in behalf of this mother, who now after almost thirty years, will receive a small pension unless the bill is held up through the failure of the Omnibus measure not yet reported.

Official figures show increasing unemployment throughout the entire country. At last the big cities are being brought to realize that without farm prosperity they cannot permanently enjoy good times. Speaking in the House this week, Representative Eslick, of Tennessee, called attention to the fact that in two years 253,000 American farm owners are known to have lost their homes. While these figures by no means include all the farm failures, they show, as the speaker said, that "in these two years more men were sold out of houses and home than faced each other in the Union and Confederate armies on the bloody field of Gettysburg". Representative Hastings of Oklahoma, also quoted figures from the Comptroller of the Currency, showing that in eight years there have been 3941 bank failures, most of them in agricultural states.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank the fire department for the excellent work done Saturday morning. Their fine work did help us to save a portion of our belongings from destruction. We also thank our neighbors and friends for their help and expressions of sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. ESSRAY

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Billie Ghemhardt entertained the Rook Club and their husbands Wednesday night with a Washington Birthday party. The house was decorated in the National colors. The idea was carried out in the refreshments. There were four tables of Rook. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

Mrs. Charles Lumsden was the charming hostess to the Rook Club Friday afternoon. The house was artistically decorated with the seasonal colors. The two-course luncheon was served in the same style in colors as the decorations.

Misses Wava Watkins and Margery Burch entertained a few friends with a Washington's Birthday party Wednesday night. Sandwiches, cocoa, cherry pie and whipped cream were served.

Miss Mary James, teacher at White Oak No. 2, gave a box supper and a program Wednesday night, which was well attended and enjoyed very much by the people. Miss James is an excellent little teacher and is deserving of much credit for her efforts in training the children in her school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and son, Bill, and daughter, Mary Ola, motored down from Cape Girardeau Saturday to visit friends and attend the revival being conducted by Rev. Roberts at the Christian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord and children of New Madrid spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele.

Ellis Reed spent the weekend with his parents in Jackson.

Mrs. G. F. Deane and daughter, Miss Frankie, were the guests of Mrs. Aubrey Lurmit at New Madrid Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Estes spent Sunday with friends at La Forge.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Depro, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Barnhart visited the family of Mart Johnson at La Forge, Sunday.

Howard Steele attended the wrestling match between Lewis and Stecher in St. Louis last Monday night.

Olan Critchlow motored down from St. Louis Saturday on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Critchlow.

The two youngest children of Mr. and Mrs. Rip Dunham have the measles.

Will and L. Deane motored to Sikeston on business, Friday.

### B. Y. P. U. MEETING ENDS AT CAPE GIRARDEAU SAT.

The regional convention of District 12 of Missouri of Baptist Young People's Unions held at Cape Girardeau closed Saturday afternoon with approximately 125 delegates in attendance from over Southeast Missouri.

The fourth of the regional conventions will be held at Mountain Grove, March 4 and 5. Marble Hill and Chaffee made bids for the district convention for 1929, Chaffee being chosen, as Marble Hill has entertained the delegates to such a meeting twice within the last few years.

J. C. Hockett, Jr., of Kansas City, State Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. secretary, made the principal talk of the evening. His admonition to members of the individual organizations was to make use of the talents they possessed, regardless of the degree of the talent.

### MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the splendid services rendered by the Fire Department, in their efforts to save my house from the disastrous conflagration that continued. (I am informed) for about three hours, from 9 to 12 o'clock Friday morning. I also wish to thank those of my friends, aside from the members of the Fire Department, for the help they rendered, as I am informed that many of them manifested great interest and did all in their power to render service.

DR. E. J. MALONE

### 1906 LICENSE SOLD

Monday afternoon 1906 automobile licenses had been sold from the Sikeston office. Of these 1706 were for pleasure cars and 200 for trucks. About five or six thousand pairs of plates are usually sold and as Thursday is the last day that licenses may be obtained without risk of arrest for driving with old plates, the office is expected to be busy for the next few days.

Mrs. Wiley Wilkerson and Miss Ruth Allard spent Sunday in Malden visiting Mrs. Wilkerson's parents.

Pekin blue silk dresses \$8.85, this season's style, \$10 to \$12.50 values.—Buckner-Ragsdale Bargain Basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sikes, Kendall Sikes, Mrs. O. E. Kendall and Mr. and Mrs. James Kevill motored to Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

## Local and Personal

Mrs. Effie Swanagon is visiting relatives in Kennett this week.

Mrs. Calvin Greer is entertaining with bridge Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. L. B. Adams was on the sick list this week, we are sorry to report.

Don't forget the home talent play at the community hall Miner, Friday, March 2.

Miss Evelyn Sutton spent Sunday in Benton, the guest of Miss Leona Bertrand.

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Mrs. Ralph Anderson and Mrs. J. Massey were visitors to Cape Girardeau Thursday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cy Harris are at home after a pleasant visit with their daughters in St. Louis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bowman and sons were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Matthews.

New silk dresses for spring, all shades, in our basement, \$10 to \$12.50 values, \$8.85.—Buckner-Ragsdale Co. Mrs. W. A. Wright and son of Canolou are occupying one of the Meyer cottages on North Ranney.

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Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Lynn of Clarksburg, Indiana, were the guests of Mrs. Maud Sitzes at the Elkins House for the week-end.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Woods and children and Miss Martha Martin motored to Risco Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scott.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Arthur and Mrs. W. R. Burks and daughter, Miss Katherine, motored to Charleston Sunday afternoon and visited friends.

We have a lot of the conventional navies and blacks in the new spring dresses in our Bargain Basement.—Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

The Standard is glad to report that Mrs. E. J. Keith, who underwent an operation for appendicitis, is recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Slack returned Sunday afternoon from Vanita, Okla., where they have been visiting Mrs. Slack's father, who is not well.

Mrs. Edna Harris, formerly Miss Edna Kirby, left for Los Angeles, Calif., Thursday, to join her husband. They will make their home in that city.

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Miss Grace Decker, a senior in Sikeston High School, went to Miami, Fla., last week with her sister, Miss Marian. She will return some time this week.

Come to see "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" at Miner Friday night, March 2.

Mrs. J. R. Elkins, who has been in a hospital at St. Louis, and underwent a serious operation, returned home Tuesday morning of last week and is doing fine.

Mrs. Harvey Morrison wishes to thank all the young folks who so ably assisted her in the Missionary pageant that was put on at the Methodist church Sunday night.

Come to see "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" at Miner Friday night, March 2.

Mrs. Lindsay Brown of Charleston and Mrs. Marion Brown of Jannison, Mo., visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sikes last Wednesday. Mrs. Marion Brown is visiting homefolks in Charleston.

Mrs. Emma Werner and Edwin Werner of St. Charles, and Mr. and Mrs. John Werner and son, John, Jr., of Mt. Vernon, Ill., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, Sr.

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Thomas Lee Atkins of Spruce, Bates County and Miss Nettie O. Carter were married at the Carter home, north of the High School, Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock by Justice of the Peace W. S. Smith.

FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms on the first floor, for light housekeeping.—Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, on Trotter Street.

## ENNA JETTICK Health Shoes



From the diary of Enna Jettick

"Since I've had my Enna Jettick shoes I've lost twelve pounds! Doctor Blank says that scrawny Mrs. T— is putting on weight since she bought hers and he thinks it is because we both have done so much more walking and outdoor exercise without noticing it, because we walk without fatigue now."

*Enna Jettick*

For women who want to go  
and do—without fatigue!

Priced \$5.00 and \$6.00

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### LIGHTING SERVICE HAMPERED

The lighting services in Sikeston was hampered Sunday night due to the emergency plant being unable to carry the extra heavy Sunday night load after trouble in repairing the damaged flue at the Cape Girardeau plant had prevented it being ready to resume the load. The flue at Cape Girardeau was damaged last week by a wind storm and was being repaired Sunday during the slack period. A section of the flue fell and caused a delay in getting the work done which resulted in the emergency plant being used last night.

### HIGHWAY LOSES AGAIN

The Highway basketball team lost another to Marston Saturday night at Marston by a score of 12 to 25. Hequenbourg and Mathis may not have been stars in the game, but they certainly saw them when they collided early in the second quarter of the game.

### D. A. R. MEETING

The regular meeting of the D. A. R. will be held at the home of Miss Isabelle Hess Saturday afternoon, March 3 with Miss Hess and Miss Marcella Shaw as hostesses.

Don't fail to see the new spring silk dresses in our Bargain Basement. Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

A. E. Shankle, who moved to Humboldt, Tenn., January 1 was a visitor here Sunday and Monday. He says that The Standard has been as two big letters from home a week since he has been away.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bowman and children and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Matthews and children motored to Cape Girardeau Sunday and visited Mrs. E. J. Keith, who is a patient in the St. Francis Hospital.

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A negro man and woman giving the names of Washington Robinson and wife were returned to Caruthersville last week by Gid Daniels and Brown Jewell. They were found with clothes stolen in Caruthersville.

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Mrs. Ella Old returned Sunday from a few days' visit with her sons, Fred and Shadburn, in Memphis, Tenn. Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Old and son drove down Wednesday, returning Thursday.

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Father Flannigan of New Madrid was the visiting priest at the Catholic church Sunday morning and evening. Father Flannigan preached an interesting sermon on the Eighth Commandment in the morning and on the Third Commandment in the evening. All of the Catholic churches are exchanging pastors during the Holy season of Lent.



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### COURT CANNOT BE PURCHASING AGENT

Jefferson City, February 22.—That a county court cannot constitute itself the "purchasing agent" of a county is the gist of a ruling today by Attorney General North T. Gentry. It settles a question long discussed in the State Association of County Judges, and other organizations of county offices.

The ruling was the result of an inquiry by Prosecuting Attorney M. J. Petrequin of Ste. Genevieve County, who asked if an order made by the County Court of that County requiring county officers to submit to the court requisitions for office supplies, and that supplies purchased by any officer without approval of the court must be paid for by him out of his own pocket, was legal.

In denying the authority of the county court to constitute itself purchasing agent, the Attorney General held that the order of the Ste. Genevieve court is not legal, as the court in handling the affairs of the county does not act judicially, but ministerially as the financial and administrative agent.

Gentry held that it is the duty of the county to furnish necessary supplies for the offices and no exclusive authority is given the court to regulate or control purchases, nor making the court or any one official or body the purchasing agent. If the items purchased and the prices paid are reasonable, the county cannot escape liability on the claim.

Plans for the Outlook Meeting for farmers of Southeast Missouri at the Court House in New Madrid, Wednesday, have been completed and a large delegation is expected to attend.

The condition of Edward J. McGrew, member of the State Highway Commission, who is seriously ill at his home in Lexington, is unchanged, according to latest reports. Mr. Grew was appointed to the board in November, 1926 to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Theodore Gary.

The wedding in St. Louis of Dr. Cleitus A. Presnell, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Presnell, formerly of Charleston, to Miss Edna May Logan, has just been announced. Dr. Presnell is well known in Sikeston, having visited here many times during the time he lived in Charleston.

### CERTIFIED SEED POTATOES BOOST SPUD YIELD

Profit in potato growing is greatly increased by the use of certified seed potatoes, a survey of the methods used by 300 and 400-bushel potato club members. Certified seed is free from diseases which might seriously lower the yield of the crop in the fall, and is of a much higher quality than the average seed used. In Missouri, for instance, a noticeable increase in yield and a 42 percent reduction in culls resulted from the use of Northern grown certified seed. Over a period of eight years, Irish Cobbles grown from certified seed yielded 24.6 bushels to the acre more than potatoes from home grown seed of the same variety. Members of the Pennsylvania 400-bushel potato club use certified seed almost entirely the survey shows. The increase in yield much more than pays for the extra cost of the seed in all cases.

### DUSTING SEED CORN PAYS

Chemical dust treatment to combat dry rot in seed corn increases the yield of corn in cases where the seed is infected with this disease, finds the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station after a study extending over four years. The treatment can be made for about four cents per acre.

The use of good seed is one of the most important factors in increasing the yield of corn, after a survey of the methods used by 100-bushel corn club members in Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska and Ohio. Seed corn accounts for only one per cent of the cost of growing corn as a rule and the extra cost of obtaining high class seed is insignificant compared to other costs and the higher yield obtained. In all cases the corn should be individual ear tested in order to detect ears of low germination quality and ears infected with molds. The presence of the latter can be detected by the various colors of the sprouts and molds forming on the corn when tested. Of almost equal importance is the necessity of obtaining a good stand, which depends on the preparation of a good seed bed and an accurate corn planter which will plant the desired number of kernels in every hill in the field. Grading of the seed corn also helps to insure a good stand.

Mrs. Lois Goodpasture of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ara Hanner. Mrs. Goodpasture is recovering from a serious operation and will make an extended visit with her mother.

The Farmers' Week program will be in Cape Girardeau Tuesday and Wednesday, February 28 and 29 and Thursday and Friday, March 1 and 2, at the State Teachers College, Agriculture Hall. The program starts at 9:45 a. m., continuous until 3:30 p. m. Free eats will be served during the noon hour to everyone that is hungry. This meeting will be the best farmers meeting held in Southeast Missouri this year. Urge your neighbors to attend these meetings to hear the speakers talk on subjects which are of vital importance to every farmer.

FOR SALE—Police pups, pedigreed males \$15, females \$10. Phone 452 or see them at 519 North New Madrid Street.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping at 326 North Ranney Street.—Mrs. W. A. Wright, 2t

LOST—A figured peach colored georgette crepe scarf last Wednesday evening. Kindly return to The Standard office.

FOR SALE—A day bed and refrigerator. Call Mrs. Chas. L. Prow, 157.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 341 North Street Mrs. J. H. Held.

FOR RENT—10-room house, lights, water and bath. Garage, garden and orchard. Apply to Mr. P. M. Malcolm.

FOR RENT—80 acres of good corn land near Sikeston. Good improvements.—Louise M. Lewis, Hotel Marshall.

FOR SALE—Purebred Buff Orpington eggs 75c per setting of 15.—Mrs. F. E. King one and a half miles north of Minner Switch. 6t pd.

BIGGER, BETTER, BIG BEND BABY CHICKS. State Accredited. Write for catalog and prices.—Big Bend Poultry Farms, Dept. S. Cape Girardeau, Mo. 1m.

FOR SALE—Good 4-room house, two lots, 209 William Street. For information phone 405 or call on Wade L. Shankle, Sikeston, or write W. O. Shankle, Fulton, Ky. tf.

Due to recent promotions, paying position now open to man with sales ability. Experience unnecessary. Position permanent. Rapid promotions. Call 286J for appointment. 4tpd.

FOR RENT—9-room house with cabin, modern improvements. Close to business section and suitable for roomers or boarders.—Mrs. A. J. Matthews. See E. J. Keith. 3t pl.

## CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

(Items for last week)

Mrs. W. D. Lowe, who has been in the hospital at Poplar Bluff, came home, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Himmelberger if Cape Girardeau were here Wednesday.

Mrs. John McCormick of St. Louis came in unexpectedly Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lowe. Mrs. McCormick was formerly Miss Nellie Lowe.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dillon are the proud parents of a baby girl born Friday, February 17. The little Miss has been named Loretta Jeanne.

W. M. Wilkins has purchased a new Chevrolet coach from the Sikeston agency.

Mrs. Margaret Cain has been doing substitute work at the high school this week for Miss Alexander, who is confined to her home with flu.

A vegetable growing meeting was held at the City Hall Wednesday night. An excellent crowd was present and much interest shown.

Jefferson Sarff spent the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sarff and family.

Mrs. Ollie Hoskins and children of Piedmont and E. L. Griffin of Charleston spent Sunday visiting in the home of their brother, W. R. Griffin and family.

P. H. Teal and daughter, Mary Anne, of Charleston took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Brice Edwards, Sunday. Mrs. Teal, who is in the Cairo Hospital, is doing very nicely now and hopes to be home soon.

Mrs. C. H. Pease spent Friday in Cairo visiting friends and shopping.

Joe, Allen and Bradley Mabee expect to leave for Oregon some time soon to take employment in lumber business there.

The basketball game between Gideon and Morehouse on the local court Friday night was a hard fought game. The girls won by a score of 16 to 15 and the boys lost with a score of 24 to 12.

Mrs. M. A. Massey and Mrs. Brice Edwards shopped in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

The committee making a survey of the vegetable growers will meet on Tuesday at four o'clock at the Morehouse Trust Co. Members of the committee state that a good many men are signing up for small acreages each.

### WILL B. SIMPSON HEARS PROGRAM FROM AIRPLANE

Homer Rodeheaver, song leader of the Billy Sunday meeting which closed in St. Louis Sunday, broadcast from a airplane over St. Louis Saturday noon and was heard by many in this vicinity. Among them was W. B. Simpson, who had tuned in about 11:40 o'clock to hear the market reports. Rodeheaver first sang "The Old Rugged Cross", which was very clear, but when he played a solo on his trombone, the drone of the motor seemed to interfere. The program was picked up by Station KMOX in St. Louis and re-broadcast. The program was sent from 1000, 2000 and 3000 feet with apparently no difference in the reception.

### ARTHUR ALLEN ARRESTED ON FORGERY CHARGE

Arthur J. Allen was arrested and placed in jail Monday charged with forging three checks. Two of the checks were for five dollars each and the third for ten dollars. The name of Rube Greer was signed to each. The checks were passed at Pinnell's, the Sikeston Mercantile Company and a local barber shop.

After being arrested Allen was also charged with being connected with the theft of Mrs. Gord Dill's Essex car a week ago Saturday night.

### DAN MCCOY BREAKS ARM

Dan McCoy, Jr. sustained a fractured right arm, when he attempted to crank his Ford at the McCoy home about 6:30 Friday morning. It was a clean break across the member just above the wrist and while the arm was weak from having been burned when Dan was about three years old and a later operation, the attending physician said that it would be well in a month or so. Dan was in a hurry to get started to McMullin Friday morning when the accident happened and the spin he gave the Ford caused it to back-fire.

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## 3 MEN ROB FRISCO AGENT AND ESCAPE

Three unmasked, well dressed men entered the Frisco station at 2:40 o'clock Friday morning and took \$75 from Scott Leyerle and \$5 from Geo. Bevely, negro porter of the Del Rey Hotel, who was waiting there between trains.

The northbound train had just left Sikeston and Leyerle had locked the office and stepped out of the waiting room to throw the signal tower lever for the next train, when he was met by the men who forced him at the point of nickel-plated pistols back into the station, where one of the men was detailed to take care of Bevely, who was on one of the waiting room benches waiting for the southbound morning train.

When an entry had been made into the office one of the men covered Leyerle, while the other scooped up the contents of the cash drawer. The day's receipts had been taken to the bank shortly before closing time Thursday afternoon and the money in the drawer was change and what had been taken in since the deposit had been made.

When the men left the station, they broke into a run south down the that direction. The men took Leyerle's pistol with them, which prevented him from shooting at them as they fled. Bevely carried no gun. There was no car near the station, but it is thought that the men had a car waiting somewhere south of the station.

One of the men was a large dark complected person, who was described as the leader of the gang. The other two were smaller men, one wore a light hat and a light top coat and the other was in darker clothing.

The Marshall Filling Station at Charleston was held up and robbed of \$12 about 7:30 o'clock Thursday night by two men answering the description of the two men who entered the office with Leyerle here.

Robberies at New Madrid and Portageville earlier in the week may have also been committed by the same men, it is thought.

About 10:30 o'clock four men in a red Buick coupe with an Oklahoma license plate were seen entering Sikeston. One of these men was recognized as Hunter Albritton, who has a police record and is wanted in Florida as an escaped convict. Connecting the Charleston robbery with these men and as they acted suspiciously, they were reported to the police for investigation. The police at this time working on the \$2000 robbery, which had just been reported to them and as soon as possible started out looking for both parties. However, no trace was found of the red Buick. It was last seen as it turned west off of Kingshighway onto Gladys Avenue. Every alley and garage in that section was searched for the car. The police answered the call at the Frisco and the search was renewed, but without results.

## C. L. ESSARY HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of C. L. Essary, 319 Moore Avenue, was practically destroyed by a fire early Saturday morning of undetermined origin. The damage to the house and furnishings was over \$3000. A piano and new radio set in the front room were among the articles lost. Only the furnishings of one room were saved. The alarm was turned in at 3:00 o'clock and by that time, the fire had burned through the roof in the back part of the house where the fire started. Water was put on the fire as soon as the truck arrived, but because of the cold, it froze nearly as fast as it struck. Mr. and Mrs. Essary were the only occupants of the house and were awakened only to find the house too far gone to save much. Firemen, several of them in frozen clothing, remained until the house was drained as the water rapidly became frozen when turned off.

## TO HAVE OPERATION

W. P. Wilkerson, secretary of the Sikeston Building & Loan Association, left last week for St. Louis, where he will undergo an operation for thyroid glands at the Baptist Sanitarium Wednesday. A thorough examination by Dr. Bartlett, a specialist of St. Louis, was made and the operation decided upon. Mrs. Wilkerson went to St. Louis to be with her husband. Harry Smith will have charge of the Building & Loan office while Mr. Wilkerson is away.

# Sale New Spring Silk Dresses, \$8.85



An unusual purchase brings quality and style that we are seldom able to offer at so low a price!

The frocks are new spring models, every one authentic, every one an exceptional \$10 and \$12.50 value at \$8.85. Beautiful spring materials! Luscious spring shades! And the new spring details include swathing girdles, tiny fan pleatings, one-sided draperies, swirling skirts, sash ties, tight sleeves, blouse effects, flying panels, scarfs.

Sizes for misses and women . . . come early for best selection.

In the Bargain Basement of

# THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE CO.



## YOUTH TAKES RIDE AND ROLL FROM MEN

Police in this section have been looking since Thursday night for a youth of about 24 summers, who had accepted a ride from Jack Byers and a man named Williams, both of Madison, Ill., and then left them, taking with him \$2000 in new bills belonging to Byers.

The youth left the men at the curve at Talley's Filling Station about 5:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, telling them that he had an uncle about two miles down the road, whom he was going to visit. The men did not discover the loss until they had driven to Hayti and stopped for gas and oil. The young man is thought to have escaped as Roy Smith, local taxi driver, reported having carried a man of his description to Poplar Bluff and that he had been given a fifty dollar bill in payment. The money taken was in fifty and one hundred dollar bills. Smith did not know of the robbery at the time, and at first did not want to make the trip because of the weather. The youth insisted that he had a relative there who was seriously ill and Smith finally consented.

Byers and Williams were driving a new Buick coupe from Madison to Birmingham, Ala., and had spent Wednesday night at Fesuts. Coming out of Festus into Crystal City Thursday morning, they met a young man on the road, who told them that he was a concrete worker in St. Louis and that he was going to Sikeston to visit an uncle who lived about two miles from Sikeston.

When the men arrived at Cape Girardeau, a few drinks were served, according to the story of Williams, and the journey was resumed toward Sikeston. At Talley's Filling Station curve, the young man asked to get out and thanked the men for the ride (and, no doubt, the money).

The two men then drove on through here and when they arrived at Hayti, they discovered the loss. Williams returned to Sikeston and the local police at once set to work. It was about 10:00 o'clock when Williams returned and as the youth had been last seen at 5:30, it is thought that he had already made an escape.

Smith said the youth told him that he had been drinking, but that he wanted to go to Poplar Bluff to see a relative there who was seriously ill, so after refusing he (Smith) finally consented to take him.

There were eleven one hundred dollar bills and eighteen fifties in the haul. Byers also had a hundred dollar bill and a fifty in another pocket which he saved.

## E. J. MALONE HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE

The Dr. E. J. Malone home at Malone Avenue and Stoddard Street, one of the finest residences in Sikeston, was damaged by fire and water to the extent of more than \$3000 Friday morning.

The fire started in the southeast room on the second floor, which John Malone had left about an hour before the fire was discovered. Mr. and Mrs. John Malone were the only members of the family at home at the time. Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Malone returned here Saturday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Malone and a party of others from a week's trip to Texas.

The cause of the fire is believed to have been a bed lamp which had set a piece of paper to blazing. The paper had been placed between the shade and the bulb to divert the rays of the lamp. John Malone said that he had left the lamp burning.

The fire spread to the attic above and got between the double tin roof on the house and the ceiling of the second story. It was not discovered until sparks dropped down to the room below, where Mr. and Mrs. Malone and their uncle had just finished breakfast.

When the fire department arrived, the fire was between the walls, causing them to have to cut several holes in the roof and floors to get water to it. The damage done to the plastering, furnishings and floors exceeded that done by the fire.

The fire alarm was turned in at 9:15 and the firemen fought for more than an hour before the fire was finally brought under control. All members of the volunteer firemen were present. Two hose lines were stretched to fight the flames.

Damages by fire was confined to the second and third story rooms and the attic while the water damaged practically every room down stairs.

## FOX TO GET HEARING IN PROBATE COURT

An insanity hearing for John Fox, former City Clerk of Sikeston who is now under bond for appearance in the Circuit Court, charged with embezzlement and forgery, was to be held before Probate Judge T. B. Dudley late Monday afternoon in Sikeston. Judge Dudley had the hearing as some of the doctors were to testify could not be in Benton. The information was filed by Mrs. Fox, stating that her husband is not capable of handling his own affairs and asking a guardian to be appointed. M. G. Gresham represented Mrs. Fox and an attorney was appointed for Mr. Fox.

The embezzlement and forgery charges were from information filed February 21 by Roger Bailey as a result of alleged mismanagement of City funds while Fox was City Clerk. Fox waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the March term of the Scott County Circuit Court as was reported exclusively in The Sikeston Standard last week.

## STANDARD AD SELLS 150 PAIRS OF SHOES

The Friday, February 17 issue of The Standard carried an exclusive advertisement of the Heuer's Sample Shoe Store One-Cent Sale, which sold more than 150 pairs of shoes for the concern. The advertisement appeared only one time and in The Standard only. Saturday's weather was anything but inviting and Mr. Todd said the crowds at the store that day certainly showed the value of Standard advertising.

The Tuesday edition of The Standard carried an ad for a woolen skirt which had been lost and the skirt was returned Saturday.

## TEACHERS EXAMINATION

The regular March examination for teachers will be held in the public school building at Benton on Friday and Saturday, March 2 and 3, beginning at 8:00 a. m.

J. H. GOODIN,  
County Supt. Schools

## DOUBLE-HEADER HERE FRI. NIGHT WITH POPLAR BLUFF

A double-header basketball game between the Poplar Bluff High School teams and the Sikeston teams will be staged on the local court Friday night.

Both Poplar Bluff teams will receive a stiff reception as the Sikeston girls are in top form and the boys are still stinging from the defeat here at the hands of the Bluff team which kept them from winning the consolation in the tournament.

Eleven teams have signed for the girls' tournament which is to be held here March 9 and 10. They are (with the coaches of each): Sikeston, Lotie Dover; Caruthersville, Wid Matthews; Hayti, Melva C. Yates; Malden, A. C. Moon; Crystal City, L. V. Black; Desloge, Tim Dougherty; Charleston, J. H. Marshall; Diehlstadt, John Fox; Poplar Bluff, Anne Moore; Luxora, Ark., P. S. Sikes and Bell City.

County Tournaments are now in progress. The Scott County Tournament will be held at Benton Friday and Saturday of this week. Sikeston will not be represented as the high school has not played six games with other county schools.

Campbell won the Dunklin County girls' tourney by defeating Holcomb in extra minutes of play. The Hornersville boys beat Campbell to win the boys' meet, which was held Friday and Saturday.

The Stoddard County Tournament was held at Bloomfield Friday and Saturday of last week, the Advance boys beating Dexter for first place and Bernie girls winning from Bell City to carry off honors in their division.

Come to see "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" at Miner Friday night, March 2.

We have a lot of the conventional navies and blacks in the new spring dresses in our Bargain Basement. Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

Dr. and Mrs. Daughtrey, who have been in the Slack property on Malone Avenue, have moved to the West property on South New Madrid, opposite the Christian church. Dr. Daughtrey has moved his office to the Trust Company Building.

## "AMERICA'S OBLIGATION" GIVEN AT M. E. CHURCH

About seventy-five persons took part in the Missionary pageant, "America's Obligation", which pleased the well crowded Methodist church Sunday night.

Mrs. Harvey Morrison directed the play which had been rehearsed for the past week. The main characters were: Margaret Baker, America; Kathleen Carey, Church; Kemper Bruton, Herald; Hallie Carey, Missions, and Virginia Hudson, Wealth.

About fifty children took part in the play representing fruit, flowers, butterflies and birds. The children were dressed in paper dresses and made a very beautiful picture on the platform. A group of small boys built a little church in the wildwood of brick, singing the "Church in the Wild Wood".

William Smith made a good district school master of the old school. Despite the lack of light and power to operate the organ, the pageant was a success from every angle. It was more than well received—it was enthusiastically received and appreciated by the audience which filled the church.

Mrs. John Fox, Mrs. C. C. Rose and Miss Abbie Morrison assisted Mrs. Morrison in presenting the pageant.

## SOUTHEAST MO. TRANSIT TO BE DIVISION OF GREYHOUND

The Southeast Missouri Transit Company transfer to a division of the Greyhound Lines is expected to be completed some time this week. The Greyhound Company has already put several buses on this division and will shortly take over the entire company according to authentic reports. The Greyhound lines now operate busses all over the country. The Purple Swan Company is now a division of this company and in the future the Transit Company will be operated as the Southeast Missouri division of the Greyhound Lines.

The old buses will be called in and several new ones will be added. There are now some sixteen or eighteen buses operating on this division.

Chillicothe—Producers' Creamery Company of Chillicothe organized.

## TO HAVE "MRS. TUBS OF SHANTY TOWN" AT MINER

The first home talent play to be presented in the new Miner Community Building which was dedicated last week will be given by the Baptist Sunday School class Friday night, March 2 at 8:00 o'clock.

The play will be "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" and the characters have been practicing for some time. It is to be a typical home talent play and from early indications should go over in great style.

The people of Miner Switch are to be congratulated on having the fine community spirit which has made the building and the presentation of these plays possible.

The "Who's Who" of the play for next Tuesday follows:  
Mrs. Tubbs . . . Mrs. C. W. Smoot  
Mrs. Clingie Vine . . . Mrs. Ben Matthews  
Mrs. Ellen Hickey . . . Mrs. R. Malcolm  
Maydelle Campbell . . . Priscilla Snow  
Simon Rubbels . . . Roland Malcolm  
Tom Riordan . . . Loren Vaughn  
Queen Sheba Tubbs

. . . Genevieve Eubanks  
Mathewslam Tubbs . . . John Kaufman  
Billy Blossom Tubbs . . . Billy Widdows  
Victory Hortensia Tubbs

. . . Treasie Kaufman  
Elmira Hickey . . . Gwendolyn Eubanks  
Admission will be thirty cents for adults and twenty cents for children.

## NEGRO SHOT THREE TIMES IN EARLY SUNDAY ROW

Willie Anderson, negro, is suffering from the results of three pistol bullets which were delivered by Geo. Harris at a negro cabin near the Frisco station about 3:00 o'clock Sunday morning.

One bullet entered the right nostril, the second his left shoulder and the third his left side. The bullet through the nostril lodged in the roof of his mouth. His condition was improved Monday and he will recover if complications do not set in.

Anderson claims he was asleep when shot by the Harris negro. No trace has been found of Harris, who is supposed to have been from Chicago.

New silk dresses for spring, all shades, in our basement, \$10 to \$12.50 values, \$8.85.—Buckner-Ragsdale Co.

## MR. AND MRS. W. B. LACY SELL HOTEL—TO RETURN HERE

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lacy, formerly of Morehouse, have sold their interest in the Commercial Hotel at New Madrid to the Dawson Brothers of that city. The Dawson Brothers will take possession Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy operated hotels at Morehouse before going to New Madrid. They will go to Hot Springs, Ark., for a rest and will later return to Sikeston to live. In the future Mr. and Mrs. Lacy may re-enter the hotel business at some new location.

While in New Madrid the Lacs have built up a good business and they will leave many good friends there. The hotel now has a splendid business, both from New Madrid people and the travelling public.

The Commercial will be under the management of Paul Dawson and Ruth Howell will have charge of the dining room.

## DE LISLE HEISLER RADIO AMATEUR HEARS CAPE TOWN

De Lisle Heisler, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Heisler, is a licensed amateur radio operator and has been in communication with far distant stations since he began his radio work four years ago. He has been a licensed operator since July 25, 1927.

Saturday night about 7:00 o'clock De Lisle heard radio station FO-A3M of Cape Town, South Africa and has sent them his log card for acknowledgment.

Young Heisler's set call is 9EC5 and it has been heard by ships at sea and in foreign countries. His set is a signal station, of course, code being used for transmission.

About two months ago De Lisle was in communication with a ship which was twelve degrees below the equator. Its call letters were SS 2NB. He has been heard in Copenhagen, Denmark and the Maderia Islands and has the station cards for them.

\$10 and \$12.50 silk dresses \$8.85. All new spring styles and colors.—Bargain Basement Buckner-Ragsdale Store Company.

If you want to laugh go to the home talent play at the new community building at Miner Friday night, March 2 at 8 o'clock.



## SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY  
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURIEntered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-  
class mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.

Rates:  
Display advertising, per single  
column inch, net ..... 25c  
Reading notices, per line ..... 10c  
Bank statements ..... \$10.00  
Probate notices, minimum ..... \$ 5.00  
Yearly subscription in Scott and the  
adjoining counties ..... \$1.50  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the  
United States ..... \$2.00

Falling soot is about as thick in  
Sikeston about 7:00 o'clock in the  
morning and firing time at night as  
snow has been at times. If furnaces  
and stoves are fired properly there  
will be less soot and smoke and less  
fuel will be used. There is no need of  
a smoke screen in a town this size  
twice a day.

Sitting in a hotel dining room at  
Poplar Bluff Sunday noon, we heard  
everything from gallstones to poli-  
tics discussed. The elderly lady was  
sympathizing with the waitress about  
her friend's gallstone operation. We  
hope it was a success as nothing will  
furnish more good conversation than  
a recent operation.

Fifteen years ago, February 28,  
the present editor of The Standard  
arrived in Sikeston to take charge of  
an almost defunct plant. Whether or  
not we have been a benefit to the  
community is an open question. The  
community has been a great benefit  
to the editor and family. It is the  
community that has enabled us to  
feed, clothe and give a fair education  
to a good size family. It is the com-  
munity that has enabled us to equip  
The Standard plant that is second to  
none in Southeast Missouri, and it is  
the community that has paid the bill.  
In return we have tried to serve the  
community to the best of our ability  
in our crude way. We have a reason  
to pledge the balance of our days with  
The Standard to continue to serve the  
community.

"During my extended and, I trust,  
not entirely useless career", remark-  
old Uncle Foggy, "I have observed the  
peculiarities of human nature, until  
I may say that in many instances I  
can read my fellowmen like a book. I  
have learned that while man wants  
but little here below it is always a  
little more. I have discovered that  
fewer persons are killed by overwork  
than by eating health foods, and also  
that the only people who ever profit  
by advice are lawyers and doctors. I  
have observed that the man who at-  
tends to his own business generally  
has a life-time job, and that if Na-  
ture has arranged things so that a  
man could kick himself some of my  
acquaintances, if they had done their  
duty to themselves and the world,  
would by this time have booted them-  
selves clear up to the planet Mars".  
—Kansas City Star.

## A WORTHY PROJECT

The Truck Growers' Association  
which has been organized here is in  
line with a number of other similar  
organizations which have been and  
are being formed throughout this sec-  
tion. The interest shown in truck  
gardening is encouraging for the  
district as it will mean more money  
for the farmer. There is, of course, a  
danger of overloading the first year.  
The idea should be for as many farm-  
ers as is possible to raise some truck  
and to increase that amount as it is  
needed and not for all of them to load  
up the first year and then because the  
market is flooded to become discour-  
aged and not raise truck the follow-  
ing year.

It should be kept in mind also that  
to produce the best results the proper  
care must be taken of the growing  
plants. Along this line must be in-  
cluded the use of fertilizers. It takes  
but a small amount of fertilizer to  
improve a great deal of land. At the  
same time the proper fertilizer should  
be obtained for the land upon which  
it is to be used and for the particular  
crop which is to be planted. This in-  
formation is gladly supplied by the  
fertilizer companies and the various  
farm agencies.

The little girl from down the  
country says that, as a rule, you will  
find most of the hicks in the town  
that boasts it isn't a hick town.—  
Commercial Appeal.

Miss Gondola Henstep hasn't done  
anything worth while in long time,  
and hasn't got any mention of any  
kind, and says she is going to do  
something right soon to attract at-  
tention if nothing else but write a  
poem for the Tickville Tidings.—  
Commercial Appeal.

We get a good deal of diversion  
from exchanges in towns which join  
the Chamber of Commerce procession.  
For several weeks after the in-  
itial banquet and booster speeches yed  
is bubbling over with anticipation.  
Factories dance before his vision like  
a calf before a circus procession. His  
ear-drums vibrate from the tramp of  
on-coming population. The old town  
is to awaken from her Rip Van Win-  
kle slumbers and become Queen of  
the Prairies, with better streets, big-  
ger schools, larger churches and other  
metropolitan adjuncts. But gradu-  
ally yed ed simmers down. The  
Chamber fails to function. No mir-  
acles come to pass. A lot of vivid  
dreams vanish into thin air. It would  
be different if such organizations  
would direct their energies towards  
developing a more pleasant commu-  
nity life, first getting sold on the idea  
that a clean, wholesome, sociable vil-  
lage is, after all, the best place in  
which to live and raise children.—  
Paris Appeal.

The Auxiliary will meet Wednesday  
evening, March 7 with Mrs. C. L.  
Blanton and not on February 29 as  
stated in The Sikeston Herald. The  
regular meeting days of the Auxiliary  
are the first and third Wednesdays  
of the month.

SEZ THE  
SIKESTONIAN

By I. C. SIKESTON

The Sikestonian has been bawled  
at, turned in, called down, blown up,  
laughed at, stomped on, headed off,  
licked about, talked of and about ev-  
erything else, but the worst blow  
came Saturday when he had remon-  
strated a friend for having talked an  
hour without saying anything. The  
friend replied that it was nothing, as  
the Sikestonian had been writing for  
a MONTH without having an idea,  
much less having said anything. The  
friend was a prominent school official  
and should know whereof he speaks.

Judge Jos. W. Myers has put on a  
new collar and tie and has a new gal-  
lon and a half hat, which means that  
election time is about a month off.  
(He has thrown the old hat in the  
ring).

A world's championship wrestling  
match was held in St. Louis last Mon-  
day but instead of seeing wrestling,  
the customers saw mostly necking.

"The Loves of Carmen" was shown  
in Sikeston the same night and the  
customers saw mostly wrestling. Which  
goes to show that you can't  
tell the price of lard by looking down  
a pig's throat.

We know a young man who thinks  
horse-radish is a fruit.

Some in Sikeston are familiar with  
"The Bat". The Standard's new serial  
which starts Friday, either from hav-  
ing seen the play or the picture and  
they, as well as those who have not  
seen or read it, will enjoy it—but not  
after 9 o'clock at night unless there  
is plenty of company to keep the  
googoes away.

A Chicago woman paid \$67 taxi  
fares for her fox terrier last week,  
which we think, is putting on the dog  
a little strong.

A leopard reported to have been  
shot in the down town district of St.  
Louis last week has made its appear-  
ance on the streets of Sikeston in the  
form of a good looking coat.

Some of the members of the party  
which made the trip to Texas and  
Mexico last week certainly made us  
appreciate American cigarettes from  
tasting the Mexican brands.

We are not in a position to say  
whether a Sparton horn is louder and  
funnier than a klaxon or not, nor are  
we adverse to the use of auto horns,  
but midnight is not an excellent time  
to have a contest of automobile horns  
in the City of Sikeston.

## A POEM?

For hold-ups, fires and city shrieks  
Sikeston leads the way  
We heard said by a stranger that  
we're  
More like New York each day.

## A JOKE

Sikeston streees when it is raining  
and after it has stopped.

## HAVE YOUR SHOES REBUILT

Ladies oak soles and rubber caps \$1  
Boys' rubber soles and rubber  
heels ..... \$1.25  
Men's rubber soles and rubber  
heels ..... \$1.50  
Children's work according to sizes.

E. H. HELLER  
Electric Shoe Shop  
Frisco Addition

Welfare societies in St. Louis and  
Kansas City have launched a cam-  
paign for \$100,000 with which to fa-  
cilitate the work of rehabilitating  
crippled children. The legislature di-  
rected the University of Missouri to  
undertake this great philanthropy but  
appropriated only \$35,000 for the first  
two years, a sum that was far from  
adequate. The children, no matter  
how poor or friendless they may be,  
receive expert attention from the best  
specialists and most sympathetic  
nurses the institution can find. Most  
of them become able to walk. The  
same sort of service has been given  
at Shriners' Hospital and other hos-  
pitals in St. Louis for years. Not  
content with ministering to their own,  
these fine institutions have gone out  
into the highways and hedges, gather-  
ing afflicted waifs anywhere they  
could be found and treating them  
with just as much consideration as  
though they were from mansion or  
palace. Things like this are pleasant  
antidotes to the sordid stories which  
daily revolve about human depravity  
and are rebukes to those who preach  
that everybody is out for the money.  
They remind us, too, of our debt to  
the Carpenter of Galilee who loved  
little folk and who said: "Inasmuch  
as you do it unto the least of these  
my children you do it unto me."—  
Paris Appeal.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Mrs. H.  
C. Young, Mrs. Wm. Hutters and Mrs.  
J. M. Pitman spent Friday at Cape  
Girardeau.

SOME SCOTT COUNTY  
FARM BUREAU NEWS

"Lambs may be sired by purebred  
rams and properly docked and castra-  
ted, but if they are not fat they will  
not sell at or near the top of the mar-  
ket", said County Agent Renner.  
Feeding grain to suckling lambs is  
important because:

The finish or fatness can be ma-  
terially increased.

The lambs will be ready for market  
sooner and thereby bring a higher  
price.

Shrinkage in shipping will be much  
less.

The number of culls will be greatly  
reduced.

A warm, clear sunny place should  
be selected to place the creep. The  
troughs for the grain should be 9 to  
12 inches wide and 4 inches deep. A  
six inch board should run the full  
length of the trough about ten inches  
above the bottom to keep the lambs  
from getting their feet in the trough.  
The openings in the creep should be  
from 7 to 9 inches wide, so that the  
lambs can pass through and the ewes  
cannot.

Lambs will start eating when two  
weeks old. Clean troughs daily and  
feed small amounts at first. Feed  
twice daily what they will clean up  
in an hour. When lambs are two  
months old they will eat one-half to  
three-quarters of a pound of grain  
daily. A lamb sold at 70 pounds will  
have eaten less than one bushel of  
grain.

Lambs may be started on two parts  
ground corn, 2 parts ground oats and  
1 part bran. When the lambs are six  
weeks old they can be changed to 6  
parts shelled corn, 3 parts oats or  
bran and 1 part linseed oil meal (pea  
size best). If the lambs are getting  
good legume hay the grain ration may  
be 6 parts shelled corn and 2 parts  
oats.

Lambs will go off feed like steers  
when grass first gets good, but they  
should by all means be coaxed back  
on feed and fed until marketed.

Don't forget to dock and castrate  
the lambs before they are two weeks  
old.

Remember the packer say they can  
increase the consumption of lambs if  
we send them the right kind. That  
means that if we dock and castrate  
and get the lambs fat it will go a  
long way towards holding up the  
price of fat lambs.

The organization of a More Attractive  
Home 4-H Club was reported to  
County Agent Renner last week by  
Mrs. John Martin and Mrs. Edmond-  
son of Farnfeld. Approximately 20  
girls are enrolled in this work. The  
objects of such a club is listed as fol-  
lows:

To foster an appreciation of and  
pride in service in the home.

To emphasize simplicity and good  
tastes in house furnishings rather  
than cost.

To teach care and repair of house  
furnishings.

To show how a harmonious and  
restful interior may be achieved.

To improve the home grounds by  
foundation, border and corner plant-  
ing.

JUDGE W. S. SMITH ANNOUNCES  
FOR RE-ELECTION TO OFFICE

Police Judge Judge W. S. Smith  
has announced his candidacy for re-  
election, subject to the April election.  
Judge Smith makes the following  
statement in announcing:

"Just a word to the citizens. I am  
going to ask you to give me another  
term in the office of Police Judge. I  
have endeavored to serve you faith-  
fully for the past two years and dur-  
ing that time I have been severely  
criticized by some for several small  
fines that I have assessed. I try to  
use common sense and assess fines  
according to the offense. I think I  
have a streak of humanity left in me  
yet, and do not think it right to put  
heavy fines for some minor offense.  
Do you think you would be treated  
fairly to pay a heavy fine for some  
small offense that you might commit?  
I have assessed some of the largest  
fines that have been on the records  
for years. Also I have gotten rid of  
ten or twelve of the most objection-  
able character that the City has had  
to contend with. It seems to me that  
this office should be used to avoid and  
correct crime and not as a money  
making proposition.

"The police docket is open to the  
public and I would be glad to have  
you come in and look it over any time  
that you may wish to. If you see fit  
to let me have this office for another  
term, your vote at the polls will be  
considered a personal favor by me."

## LICENSE NO. 191-313 STOLEN

The license plates were removed  
from the car of C. E. Brenton which  
was parked in front of the Methodist  
Church Sunday night. They were  
1928 plates No. 191-313.

R. A. Moll, of Cairo, was a brief  
visitor in Sikeston Friday afternoon.

For Economy of Operation  
Laugh Off the Record of  
This Buick Coupe

118 W. California Ave.,  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 18, 1928.

Taylor Auto Co.,  
Sikeston, Missouri.  
Attention Alvin Taylor

Dear Alvin:

Knowing your interest in Buick performance and in maintenance cost on them, feel  
that it might be a source of satisfaction to you to hear of the low maintenance that I  
have experienced in my 26-54 C.

The above car was driven into the local Buick service station here in Columbus yes-  
terday noon with a mileage of 42,011.

Motor costs up to that time amounted to less than thirty dollars. This included two  
valve grinding jobs at \$14.50 each; one fan belt and two or three riser gaskets. The  
motor in the last two days has had installed new Simplex rings, new piston pins and  
bushings and a check up of main and connecting rod bearings at a cost of \$60.10. This  
amount includes a wash and clean up. It can be seen from this that in case the car runs  
another twenty thousand miles with no more expense than an additional valve grinding  
the total motor cost will not exceed ninety-five dollars for around sixty-five thousand  
miles. This car aside from the first four thousand miles has been operated daily at an  
average road speed of fifty miles per hour on an average of better than two thousand  
miles per month.

Of course other money has been spent as an occasional tightening of body bolts and  
occasional fenders tapped out. A good deal of such money could have been saved as I find  
that any body is going to be more or less noisy. Then I have a rattle in the steering  
column upon which I have spent a bunch of money without getting it corrected. This  
money has largely been wasted. But from a motor standpoint or a point of mechanics  
this car has been more than economical.

A word of interest to you concerning tires. The car came equipped of course, with  
Goodyears. These went out at an average of twelve thousand miles or possibly slightly  
more. Two Generals were taken off rear wheels at 11,000 miles showing the white  
breaker strip all the way around.

Some months ago four Dayton thoroughbreds were placed on the car. These tires  
were shifted, back to front at seven-five hundred miles. They have now better than  
fifteen thousand five hundred miles on them and the treads are in such good shape they  
promise five or more thousand miles yet.

Such tire mileage on the type of car as above is exceptional as lack of shock absorbers  
on the rear wheels give the rear end a side jumping motion at high speeds.

You have my permission to use this letter in any way you may see fit.

Yours very truly,

MARVIN McMULLIN.

AND AGAIN WE SAY

When Better Automobiles Are Built Buick Will Build Them

AND

Taylor Auto Company  
Will Sell Them

BROWN JEWELL ANNOUNCES  
FOR RE-ELECTION TO OFFICE

Brown "Chick" Jewell has announ-  
ced his candidacy for re-election to  
the office of Constable of Richland  
Township, subject to the April elec-  
tion. Brown's record while in office  
speaks for itself. He has recovered  
more than fifty stolen cars, assisted  
the local police in many arrests, served  
warrants without question and has  
conducted himself as a constable  
should.

During his stay in office he has es-  
tablished connection with the police  
departments of many large cities and  
with practically every car insurance  
company of any size in the country.  
He is a good Democrat and is qual-  
ified for the position.

## FOR SALE

Purebred Buff Orpington day old  
chicks, first hatch off March 5. Hatch  
off every week thereafter.

No. Chicks	Price
25	\$ 4.50
50	8.50
100	16.00
200	30.00
300	40.00

MRS. MORRIS WALKER  
Bertrand, Mo., 1 mile south Buckeye  
4 F.

The following folks motored to  
Jackson Sunday and spent the day  
with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartell: Mr.  
and Mrs. J. M. Klein and daughter,  
Miss Camille, Mr. and Mrs. Murray  
Kline and children, Dr. and Mrs. A.  
A. Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis  
Mayfield and son and Mrs. Reeve  
Smith.



What IF Company Comes Unexpectedly?  
You Can Always Take Them to

## STAR CAFE

Joe Albright

Eugene Potashnick

"ALL YOU CAN EAT FOR 50 CENTS"

It Has a Delightfully Different Atmosphere.  
It is Not Expensive. The Food is Delicious.  
The Service is Perfect. There's Wonderful Music.

You'll find that you do not tire of our cuisine for it's  
varied constantly with skillfully prepared dishes to  
tempt the most jaded palate.

Come for Breakfast  
For Luncheon  
For Afternoon Tea  
For Dinner

GARAGE  
SERVICE

Is Easy To Say

And to claim, but mighty hard to de-  
liver. It means that we've got to be  
on the jump every minute; that we've  
got to know our business and the  
peculiarities of your car—But we make  
good on our promise of service every  
day.

EXPERT REPAIRING  
TIRES AND TUBES  
Battery and Wrecker Service  
Accessories—FADA Radios

PHONE 614

Boyer Auto Service  
DAY AND NIGHT

Dodge Bros.—Dealer—Graham Bros.



## 10 PCT. REDUCTION IN COTTON CROP URGED

Jackson Miss., February 24.—The conference of Governors and representatives from cotton-growing states, here at the call of Gov. Dan Moody of Texas, to devise means of rehabilitating the cotton farmer, adjourned Tuesday sine die after adopting with only minor revisions recommendations unanimously presented by its Resolutions Committee.

The conference ended its sessions with a spirit of harmony and optimism prevailing, contrasting sharply with the wrangling over proposals and counter-proposals that marked sessions of its Resolutions Committee.

The controversial proposal of State Senator Q. B. Roberts of Bolivar County, Miss., for cotton acreage reduction through legislative enactment was skirted by concessions from both sides. It was appended to the general resolution, but will not come up for discussion before State Legislatures until next October 15 at the earliest, and the only if cotton quotations are at "an unprofitable figure" to the grower.

A 10 per cent reduction in cotton acreage this year was recommended by the Resolutions Committee to solve the problems of the cotton farmer.

The committee, in reporting to Gov. Moody, chairman of the conference, went on record as opposing any attempt to regulate cotton planting by State law.

The 10 per cent cut will restore cotton prices to a "profitable standard", the committee said.

Gov. Moody sounded the keynote of the conference by declaring that farmers must learn to farm twelve months of the year instead of only three. He declared the bankers and merchants could help by urging the farmers to diversify and plant feed and food crops in addition to cotton.

Government regulation of cotton acreage was urged by Clarence Ousley, and Assistant Secretary of Agriculture in the Wilson administration.

Control of the pink boll worm, the latest menace to prosperity in the cotton belt, is one of the objects sought. The conferees adopted a resolution that included among its provisions a demand that the Federal Government recognize the insects as a national menace and provide adequate appropriations for their control.

"Only extermination measures can protect the cotton industry", the resolution declared. "The threat from the pink boll worms to the cotton producers and manufacturing industries can be met only by prompt and adequate appropriations to exterminate this insect and thus prevent its spread into the cotton belt from Mexico as it has done heretofore."

The main infestation now is centered in the Rio Grande and Pecos valley areas of Texas, the resolution pointed out.

Adoption of the resolution followed an address by Dr. W. L. Hinds, Government entomologist at Tallulah, La. He declared the infestation in the cotton growing regions of Texas more serious than any problem of overproduction. The boll worms spread faster than any other insect, Dr. Hinds said, and unless checked will affect the entire South.

"As a last means, if necessary, discontinuance of cotton growing in the infested areas for at least three years should be resorted to", Dr. Hinds said.

The conference agreed to function as a permanent organization through the activities of a committee of 24, appointed from each of the cotton producing states, with Gov. Moody as chairman. The committee's purpose will be promotion of the welfare of the cotton farmer. A subcommittee of five of its members, headed by C. E. Thomas of Montgomery, Ala., will meet in Memphis, Tenn., within the next 30 days to adopt a constitution and bylaws.

Recommendation that the Governors of cotton growing States request bankers and credit merchants of their States to formulate credit policies based on restricted cotton acreage and production of food supplies was the high point of proposals having as their purpose reduction of cotton acreage and consequent restricted production to obtain higher prices.

## STATE SUPREME COURT AFFIRMS PRISON SENTENCE

Poplar Bluff, February 24.—The Supreme Court of Missouri has affirmed the sentence of Josh Harp, former Cotton Belt Railroad detective, of five years in the Missouri penitentiary for the alleged murder of Irvin Spinks, April 9, 1922. The shooting occurred at Malden, Mo.

Spinks, whose home was at Central City, Ky., was a transient. He was with another youth, named Ben Mercer, at the time Harp drove them from the railroad property and shot Spinks as he jumped over the right-of-way fence.

Mercer, who had testified for the State in the first trial, which resulted in a verdict of guilty and a sentence of 20 years in the penitentiary, the casing have been reversed and remanded for new trial, could not be located for the second trial. Judge E. P. Dorris, who tried the case, permitted the Prosecuting Attorney, over the objection of the defense, to read the testimony of Mercer at the former trial.

Harp had been married only a few weeks when he was arrested. He resides at Little Rock, Ark., at the time, and was employed as a special agent.

Production of pulp has begun at the new Kraft paper mill of the International Paper Company at Camden, Ark. The paper machines will be started within the next few weeks. The pulp mill has a daily capacity of 200 tons.

## SECOND VETO OF FARM RELIEF BILL FORECAST

Washington, February 24.—A prediction that President Coolidge again would veto the McNary-Haugen equalization fee farm relief bill came today from several sources in the House.

At the same time Chairman Haugen of the agriculture committee said that at least 12 of the committee's 21 members had indicated that they would support the measure.

Another method of assisting the agricultural industry was advanced in a bill introduced yesterday by Representative Connally (Dem.) of Texas, based on the export corporation and export debenture plan supported by the national grange.

In an accompanying statement, the Texan declared the equalization fee was "hopeless and to pass it again, when it is known that it cannot become a law, is simply to play politics with the farmer". He expressed the opinion that the President would veto a bill containing the equalization fee clause.

During a plea for agricultural tariff revision by Representative Bankhead (Dem.) of Alabama, on the floor, Representative Ketcham (Rep.) of Michigan, member of the committee, interjected his view that the equalization fee bill was a futile gesture.

At the hearing, Sydney Anderson of Minneapolis, president of the Millers' National Federation and a former member of the House, urged modification of the bill so that farmers and agricultural manufacturers would raise half of the proposed \$400,000,000 revolving fund, instead of it being borne wholly by the Government.

The House Agriculture Committee declared its intention to close hearings on farm relief legislation tomorrow. Although more than half a dozen farm relief plans have been introduced, the discussion in the committee has revolved mainly around the McNary-Haugen bill with its equalization fee.

Immediately after the close of the hearings the committee will go into executive session to frame the bill.

Next Wednesday the committee plans to open hearings on the McSweeney \$1,000,000 reforestation bill, and then will consider the Purnell bill providing for another \$10,000,000 for eradication of the corn borer.

## THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Floyd C. Shoemaker

March 1 marks the thirty-first anniversary of the Federal Soldiers' Home at St. James, and of the Confederate Soldiers' Home at Higginsville as State institutions. By virtue of laws approved on this date in the year 1897 both homes became the property of Missouri and have since been maintained by legislative appropriation as State institutions.

The Federal Soldiers' Home was founded in 1896 by the Missouri divisions of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps as a private charitable enterprise. It was incorporated at that time under the name of the "Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association", and the home was located at St. James in Phelps county, where a tract of fifty-nine acres of land adjoining the town was donated by its citizens. The object of the Association was to provide a comfortable home "for indigent Union veterans of the Civil War, their wives, their widows, and army nurses, where these worthy people would be supplied with the necessities of life, receive the benefit of medical attention, and thus be enabled to spend their last days free from want and care.

The Home remained under the management of the Woman's Relief Corps until 1897, when in accordance with law it was conveyed to the State and has since been known as the "Federal Soldiers' Home of Missouri". The act of the General Assembly providing for the transfer of the institution to the State required that the property should be acquired "for nominal consideration". The Board of Trustees appointed by the governor therefore paid the Woman's Relief Corps Association one dollar for the institution.

The Federal Soldiers' Home is well equipped to care for the aged persons committed to its charge. It has adequate dormitories, a dining-hall commissary and bakery, a hospital, a convalescent home, and a chapel for religious services, with space where moving picture and other entertainments may be given.

In recent years the law governing the Home has been amended granting admission to any indigent soldier or sailor of fifty years or more, who has been honorably discharged from the service of the United States, provided the applicant has been a resident of Missouri for two years. Wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors, within certain age limits, are also eligible for care in the Home. The United States Government pays

to the support of the institution \$30 a month for each Federal (Government) veteran maintained there. The average age of Civil War veterans in the Home is 84 years; that of Spanish-American War veterans is 59. The present enrollment totals 242—112 men and 130 women members.

The Confederate Soldiers' Home, maintained by the State since 1897 for ex-Confederate veterans, their wives and widows, is located at Higginsville in Lafayette County. It has the distinction of being the best and most efficiently conducted Confederate Home in the United States. Like the home for Federal veterans at St. James, it was first established as a private institution. About the year 1891, through the efforts of the Missouri divisions of the United Confederate veterans Association and the Daughters of the Confederacy sufficient funds were raised by private subscription to purchase 362 acres of land on the outskirts of Higginsville. Here the nucleus of the present Home was built.

The rapid increase in the number of veterans enrolled and the increased cost of maintenance soon made it difficult to maintain the institution by private donations and in 1897 it was transferred to the State to become one of the regularly maintained eleemosynary institutions. Those eligible for entrance are soldiers who served in any part of the Confederate States Army or in the Missouri State Guard in 1861 or 1862, who have been residents of Missouri for two years prior to their application the wives and widows of such soldiers; and children up to fourteen years whose parents possess the necessary qualifications for entrance.

As at the home for Federal veterans, every effort is made to care for the aged members of the Home and to keep them well and happy. About twenty-five buildings make up the present equipment of the institution, among them a well-equipped hospital, recreation quarters, and a chapel where religious services are regularly held. The members of the Home now number 176. The average age of the members is 83 years.

In 1925, the 53rd General Assembly authorized the board of trustees of the Home to accept gifts and bequests toward a permanent endowment fund, the income to be used in establishing and maintaining a permanent "memorial park to the valor of Confederate soldiers". This park, laid out and landscaped on a 91-acre tract of the institution grounds, has added much to the beauty of the home. Six of its eight lakes have been stocked with fish by the State Game and Fish Department; trees and shrubs obtained through the efforts of the Missouri U. D. C. have been planted; and drive-ways have been made through the entire grounds. A monument to commemorate the courage and sacrifice of Missouri Confederate soldiers will eventually be placed in the park.

In a number of States testing cattle for tuberculosis in every county has become so much the rule that eradication is practically on a statewide basis. North Carolina leads in this movement, and cattle in about nine-tenths of its area have been tested. It is probable that before the end of 1928 the few remaining counties will have finished testing, in which case North Carolina will be the first State to be recognized officially as free from bovine tuberculosis.

## Fertilizers Improve Quality

In addition to increasing the yields of crops, fertilizers nearly always improve quality. Many experiments could be mentioned in support of this statement, but those that have been conducted at Newark, Delaware, and at Wooster, Ohio, will serve the purpose of this discussion.

For 18 years the Delaware Experiment Station has conducted an experiment with various fertilizers in a four-year rotation of corn, soybeans, wheat, and hay. The effect of 450 pounds of complete fertilizer containing 5 per cent of ammonia, 9 per cent of phosphoric acid, and 8 per cent of potash, is shown on the opposite page. The yield without fertilizer was 37.8 bushels per acre with only 22.5 bushels of sound corn, while the yield with fertilizer was 82.3 bushels per acre, of which 71.6 bushels were sound. These results are for the last eight years of the experiment.

In the same test the weight of wheat per bushel was 51.6 pounds without fertilizer and 58.8 pounds where complete fertilizer was used.

In the well known experiments at Wooster, Ohio, a careful study of the effect of fertilizer on the quality of wheat has been made. With no fertilizer the total yield per acre was only 8.4 bushels with 4.3 bushels of shriveled grain. Where a complete fertilizer was used, however, the acre-yield was 34.1 bushels with only 2.4 bushels of inferior grain.

These experiments and many others show how valuable fertilizers are in improving the quality of crops. The increase in yield is usually emphasized most, but the effect on quality should not be overlooked.

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Smaller teams on the same size plow walk more slowly and stop more often than do larger teams, while tractors travel still faster and require no time for resting. In spring plowing when it is often necessary to make the most of a few days of dry and favorable weather, the use of larger teams and tractors often pay larger dividends in getting the work done on time.

In the corn borer territory, more power is required for plowing than formerly, due to the necessity for deeper and better plowing with wider plows which are required to com-

pletely cover all stalks and stubble which might offer shelter for the borer.

Dawn—New bridge will be constructed at Carroll-Livingston county line.

Sir Austen Chamberlain says that war between England and America is unthinkable, all of which may be true, but then both England and America have some of the greatest thinkers the world has ever known.—New York Evening Post.



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**ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**COUNTY OFFICERS**  
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For City Collector  
**S. N. SHEPHERD**  
**W. ED HOLLINGSWORTH**  
For Constable in Richland Twp.  
**BROWN JEWELL**

**FIRE PREVENTION**  
Many fires, perhaps a majority of  
them, are caused by some small over-  
sight on the part of an individual. The  
fire at the Dr. E. J. Malone home was  
caused by a bed lamp which had burned  
a paper placed between the bulb and  
the fire frame, according to Fire  
Chief J. A. Young.  
Caution should be used with all  
lamps which have cloth or paper shades  
that the shade or paper placed in  
it to divert the light, do not touch the  
bulb. The use of small bulbs is also  
advised. No person should leave a  
room while an electrical appliance is  
left burning, unless proper precaution  
has been taken. These are small  
things, but if they are watched much  
property can be saved.  
The question of having Sunday pic-  
ture shows is one that cannot be  
straddled indefinitely. The Standard  
is for almost anything that gives  
promise of bringing business to Sike-  
ston. The merchants have been  
sorely tried the past several years  
and if a Sunday night picture show  
will bring people from other com-  
munities to our city who will spend  
money with the hotels, restaurants,  
oil stations, etc., we are for it. The  
window displays of our mercantile  
houses will bring many back on week  
days to trade. High grade pictures  
should not be objectionable and some  
would probably attend church serv-  
ices while others of the party would  
see the pictures. If you are really  
interested in seeing Sikeston pro-  
gress do your part along that line.

**WASHINGTON**  
Rock of Gibraltar, he stands, ages  
past  
Over these fair lands firm and  
steadfast  
His light still held high  
In traditions firm hand  
With no brighter flame  
For the youth of our land.  
Tis written in blood on the minds  
and the hearts  
No erasing that, the example im-  
parts.  
He who with Jesus walks hand in  
hand  
Stands firm in this and all other  
land.  
—Minnie Sayers Smith

**TEAM WORK'S THE THING**  
We do not have to look away from  
home for a sought-for opportunity.  
To be sure, opportunities exist in other  
places, but to no greater extent, in  
proportion to the number of people  
looking for them, than right here in  
our community.  
There are possibilities in this old  
home town of ours that are but await-  
ing development. There is opportu-  
nity in the community for those who  
are here, and there is opportunity for  
those who may come to us from the  
outside. We, as a community, ask  
others to come in with us in the de-  
velopment of what we know is a good  
community, a good place in which to  
live, a good place in which to do busi-  
ness.  
It is not the individual, but the co-  
operative efforts, that make for the  
development of our community.  
Working together, we can and will  
attract to the community the people  
and the capital to help us in its de-  
velopment will make for opportuni-  
ties for our home people and for those  
who join us. It will mean for us a  
community of more homes, of more  
business, of better schools, of better  
streets. A better community, and a  
better market place for the people of  
the town and for our farmer neigh-  
bors.  
Let us work together to that end.  
“Please do not consider this as a  
letter of advice. I merely wish to  
call your attention to the rain water  
that falls north of Sikeston and floods  
your city streets. If the concrete slab  
was laid on Kingshighway the nec-  
essary ditches would carry this wa-  
ter to the Iron Mountain Railway and  
could then be easily diverted to a  
dredge ditch. This drainage would be  
permanent and inexpensive to your  
city.”—L. L. Hunter, Morley, Mo.  
And now they are chewing the rag  
instead!  
Some Democrats are trying to dig  
up a running-mate for Al Smith, and  
others are looking for a checkmate.  
—San Diego Union.  
Undoubtedly, a son of the Prince  
of Wales would be heir to the throne.  
—Arkansas Gazette.  
Our great party's attitude on farm-  
relief seems to be that, if tariff re-  
vision downward on the big campaign  
contributors is necessary to attain  
the desired end, then the farmer does  
not need any relief.—Ohio State  
Journal.

**WILL MO. GO DEMOCRATIC?**  
The answer to the above question  
is to be found in the size of the rural  
vote next November. Rural Missouri  
is Democratic by a big majority. If  
the party leaders are real smart, they  
will not fail to take this fact seriously  
into consideration. Anything in-  
jected into the approaching campaign  
which stirs up the wholesome enthu-  
siasm of the farmers and inhabitants  
of the small towns, means a success-  
ful year for Democracy in Missouri.  
Anything to the contrary insures a  
light country vote and a defeated  
Democracy. Reed and a group of  
city wets, assisted by some of their  
over-zealous country town supporters,  
can keep thousands of loyal Demo-  
crats at home in November by schem-  
ing for a wet or a “Reed” ticket from  
top to bottom. Senator Reed has it  
in his power to bring out an unpre-  
cedented large country vote by open-  
ly supporting candidates to the lik-  
ing of the country people.—C. M. Hay  
for example. Rural Missouri sup-  
ported Senator Hawes in the interest  
of party victory. Senator Reed surely  
will be generous enough before it  
is too late to tell rural Missouri  
where he stands on its candidates and  
on its right to assist him in rolling  
up an old time Democratic majority  
in November against graft, crime and  
the wholesale inefficiencies with which  
the Coolidge and Eaker administra-  
tions have been afflicted. Rural Mis-  
souri wants to follow the banner of  
“fighting Jim Reed” to the goal of  
honesty in government—and wholly  
unmixed with any of his personal at-  
tacks upon candidates whom the  
country people choose to support. Rural  
Missouri will send a unanimous  
Reed delegation to St. Joseph, not be-  
cause Reed or his supporters have  
conquered the country Democracy but  
because the country Democracy wants  
to see state and national victories in  
November. And the country Demo-  
cracy of Missouri believes no man in  
the nation is more qualified to “kick  
the rascals out” at Washington and  
Jefferson City than is our senior sen-  
ator. It is hoped that he will be far-  
visioned enough to analyze correctly  
the country situation and then be  
general enough to guide his campaign  
along the pathway which can be fol-  
lowed by the tens of thousands of  
Woodrow Wilson and C. M. Hay Dem-  
ocrats!—Fayette Advertiser.

Mexico is revising its political pro-  
cedure, and it might be a good idea  
to pass a rule that no man be al-  
lowed to run for President unless he can  
prove he has funeral expenses.—New  
York Evening Post.  
The dahlia was named after Dahl,  
a Swedish botanist; the fuchsia after  
Leonard Fuchs, a German botanist.  
Camellias take their name from  
George Joseph Kamel, a Jesuit trav-  
eler. The flaming Christmas flower,  
the poinsettia, was introduced into  
the United States by a Southern phy-  
sician, J. R. Poinsett. The poinciana  
derived its name from the former  
governor of the Antilles, Ponci Cin-  
chona, or Peruvian bark, the source  
of quinine, was named after the  
Countess of Chincon, vice-queen of  
Peru, who in 1638 was cured of a  
fever by its use. Peony comes from  
Paion, the physician of the gods, the  
flower having been used in medicine.  
—The Mentor.

**BLAMES G. O. P.**  
**PROTECTIVE TARIFF**  
**FOR ILLS OF FARMER**  
Tulsa, Okla., February 21.—The  
Republican protective tariff law was  
blamed for the ills of the farmers by  
Senator Reed of Missouri tonight in  
the second prepared address of his  
Western Democratic presidential  
campaign.  
“If the farmer could buy on the  
same price level upon which he must  
sell,” Senator Reed declared, “he  
would have an even chance in the  
race of life. But the manufacturers,  
chiefly of the East, were determined  
to deny him that natural right.”  
Renewing the war on “corruption  
in government,” which he declared  
last night in Texas, the Missourian  
insisted the present tariff act was en-  
acted in response to “the vast sums  
of money put up by these manufac-  
turers to elect the Republican ticket.”  
Because of the tariff he argued that  
the farmer was compelled to sell up-  
on the European level “and then to  
buy upon a level which had been ar-  
tificially boosted by a tariff law and  
by combinations back of that law.”  
The militant Missourian found a  
fertile field here to preach the gos-  
pel of party harmony to which he  
pledged his campaign in the West.  
He took cognizance of factional dif-  
ficulties in this State but said he  
knew nothing of the merits of these  
controversies.”  
“We all hope,” he said, “to see  
the Oklahoma Democrats fall in line,  
right dress and eyes front, advance  
against the common foe.”  
He found a “Reed-for-President  
Club” already organized under the  
leadership of J. H. Maxie and he was  
assured by Maxie of friendly senti-  
ment in this state but in two recep-  
tions during the day with Demo-  
cratic leaders of the State, who called  
at his hotel room, the Senator steer-  
ed away from political discussions.  
With no reference to prohibition in  
his prepared speech, the Senator was  
asked about that subject here today  
by a newspaper man, and he replied  
in measured words that “Democrats  
have bigger fish to fry than prohibi-  
tion.”  
At noon he spoke informally to the  
Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, and in  
what he described as a “non-political  
speech” he put forward a proposal  
for a billion dollar bond issue by the  
government to be used in inland wa-  
terways and harbor improvements.  
He called the present rivers and har-  
bors program “idiotic” and insisted  
the job of making rivers navigable  
must be completed at once to be of  
help. It would be of help, he said, in  
reduced freight rates.

**NEW MADRID COUNTY**  
**FARM BUREAU NEWS**  
Plans have been completed and the  
entire program arranged for holding  
the Outlook Meeting for farmers up-  
on February 29th beginning at 9:30  
a. m. in the New Madrid County  
Court House. County Extension  
Agent Scott M. Julian, urges that all  
farmers who possibly can, arrange to  
be present at this meeting. The pur-  
pose of the meeting is to look ahead  
as much as possible, and with the  
help of all available data and statis-  
tics in determining the prospects for  
the various phases of livestock and  
field crop farming. There will be  
speakers who will hold these discus-  
sions with the farmers present, and  
who are particularly qualified in cer-  
tain branches of farming. There is  
no question but what the meeting will  
be invaluable to the man who is try-  
ing to determine a better crop sys-  
tem, or to foresee the possible trend  
of prices.  
The Parma Truck Growers' Asso-  
ciation is again busy signing up acre-  
ages of radishes, cabbage, cucumbers  
and potatoes among the people of the  
Parma community. This organiza-  
tion began its work last year, but  
unfortunately, due to the adverse  
weather conditions, ditch overflows,  
and bad railway connections, cabbage  
was the only outstanding profitable  
vegetable grown. The Parma people,  
however, believe in giving the truck  
growing phase a fair chance before  
forming any opinion, and are there-  
fore planning on acreages again this  
year. Mr. George M. Meier, the man-  
ager of the Association, James Mc-  
Mullin, Mayor of Parma, and a mem-  
ber of the Association, have both  
stated that they intend to sign up 100  
acres of radishes, and 40 acres of cab-  
bage. The Association members and  
interested farmers are holding a  
meeting on Friday afternoon, Febru-  
ary 24 at Parma for the purpose of  
discussing contracting and selling of  
the vegetables. County Agent Scott  
M. Julian will be present and also  
Charles Baker of Senath, known as  
the Radish King of Southeast Mis-  
souri. Mr. Baker is the manager of  
the Dunklin County Truck Growers'  
Association which has an acreage of  
1000 radishes contracted for this  
year.

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**FREE TRIP FOR MOTHERS**  
**TO SOLDIERS' GRAVES**  
Washington, February 21.—With-  
out protest or debate, the House yester-  
day approved a bill to enable  
mothers and widows of war veterans  
buried in Europe to make a pilgrim-  
age to American cemeteries overseas  
at Government expense. The widows  
would be restricted to those who have  
those who have not remarried.  
The measure, which now goes to  
the Senate, would empower the Pres-  
ident, in co-operation with the Amer-  
ican Red Cross, to arrange for the  
pilgrimages “at any time during the  
period of three years from July 1,  
1928.”  
The mothers and widows would be  
taken to Europe in groups. Each  
group would remain abroad approxi-  
mately two weeks and in no case  
longer than three, unless return  
transportation were unavailable.  
First-class accommodations would be  
provided either on Government-owned  
or chartered ships. Passports  
would be arranged for by the State  
Department and immigration laws

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because you couldn't afford to buy  
two tons at the one time.  
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buy the highest-priced one. No  
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money's worth.  
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St. Louis Mo.



## The Green Cloak

By  
YORKE DAVIS

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### CHAPTER XI

The doctor's prediction regarding the escape of Wilkins and the girl came true. It was all of twenty-four hours before the wires were working again; and the search, which could not fairly begin until that time, proved absolutely futile. The automobile was found next day, very early in the morning, standing in front of the Western station, the very place where we had started in on our ride to Oak Ridge. But the oddly assorted pair, who must have driven back to town in it that night, disappeared as completely as if the earth had swallowed them up.

It was a long while before Ashton would admit the probability, or even the possibility, that he had lost them. Their escape must have rankled, for he never, voluntarily, spoke of the Oak Ridge affair, and he treated all reference to it, however indirect, in a manner which did not encourage discussion.

I think that, in his heart, Doctor McAlister found it impossible to be sorry that Wilkins had got off. It is one thing to know, as a matter of fact, that a man is a knave and that he richly deserves to be hung; but it is another thing to wish, devoutly, for such a consummation. We had liked Wilkins, and the strange, uncanny revelations regarding his past, which the doctor's merciless instruments had betrayed to us, were not strong enough to change that liking.

What we regretted most, in our discussions over the affair, was our fragmentary knowledge of it. One thing certain about it all seemed to be that we should never know.

But in that conclusion, strangely enough we were wrong. Only a few days ago (and it is now more than two years since the events I have here chronicled took place) the doctor came into my office waving a letter.

"Look at the handwriting first," he said, "and see if you can guess who it's from."

I took the thing in my hand, and frowned over it for a moment in complete perplexity. It was familiar, almost as familiar as my own, and yet I could not place it.

But as I gazed, some vague suggestion of delicate French potages and on trees came into my mind. I started, and dropped the letter on my desk.

"Not—not Wilkins!" I cried.

The doctor smiled broadly. "Read what he's got to say."

I needed no second invitation.

"Respected Sir: I have long intended to write to you to tell you how Jane Perkins and I are getting along, thinking you might be interested. I

have taken up the white man's burden, as the poet says, and I find that it takes up most of my time, even though this island of mine is small (about ten square miles) and the population not numerous.

"Perkins and I (or Panenna as she is called by her own people) are married and living very happy. Now that I am, in a sort, king here—trusting that you will pardon the liberty, sir—and obliged to make all the laws as well as enforce them, I am filled with regret for my former irregularities, though I may say that they have turned out well in the end.

"I did not murder Henry Morgan. Panenna did, although she does not know it, and I would not tell her so for worlds. Perhaps I had better tell my story in order.

"Morgan was a villain and he deserved exactly what he got—if I may be allowed that opinion, sir. Circumstances may have justified him in killing Captain Franklin; indeed, there is no doubt that it had to be one or the other of them; and in robbing him of his money and his map, he only did what others, perhaps, would have done in his place. But he did an inexcusable thing, when he lodged an information with the authorities against the rest of us. The act was not necessary to his escape, for he could have got off scot-free anyway. But he wanted Franklin's treasure all to himself, and he thought if he could get us all hanged there would be none to dispute it with him. I found out in time what he had done, and I escaped; but the other poor fellows were caught and paid the penalty of their faith in a traitor.

"I went to America, but not in pursuit of Morgan. I did not know that he had gone there, and I wanted nothing more to do with him anyway, as I had decided to settle down and lead a respectable life. It pays just as well as the other and it's much more comfortable. This may surprise you, but it's true—I do not refer to the tips I earned as head waiter at The Meredith. That was not my trade so much as it was my recreation. In my youth I made the acquaintance of a palm reader and spiritualist, and this was the profession I took upon coming to your city. It was not long before I was able to organize this industry and to hire others to do the actual work. I supervised it all, and as head waiter at The Meredith, I was able to learn much about our smart people, which could be told to them again by palmists and mediums, with very good effect.

"It was in this connection that I became acquainted with Jane Perkins. A medium I employed, whose apartment was not far from The Meredith, discovered her, and was using her trance states very effectively as a control. I got the greatest surprise of my life the first time I ever heard her talking Maori, a language which I understand and speak, as I suspect that you do also. From her talk I discovered that she was my old captain's daughter, and that she had inherited his secret. This was coming rather too close to home for comfort, as you will well understand, so I took her out of the spiritualist business, much as I regretted to do so, for she was very valuable, and got her employed as chambermaid at The Meredith.

"We were out walking together one day when her subjective state came over her without warning. She darted ahead of me, and I saw that she was tracking some one through the streets, by the scent. I followed her. Luckily it was dark, and we were not molested. She traveled very fast and overtook the person she was following, just as

he was entering the Western station. I caught one look at him and saw that he was Henry Morgan.

"I succeeded in rousing her out of her state, for I did not want anything to happen just then and there. But I was determined to find where he lived and to get his map away from him. It did him no good, as there was neither latitude and longitude marked upon it, and this was the secret which Panenna had told me.

"On the night when the unfortunate incident occurred which caused you and Mr. Ashton to interest yourselves in the case, we had gone out to Oak Ridge to make an attempt to secure the map. Nothing more than that, I assure you, sir. I had hypnotized her in order that she might lead me, by means of her extraordinary sense of smell, to the house where he lived, but she ran on ahead too fast for me to follow her. The crime was already committed, if you can call it a crime, before I reached the house.

"I tried to get her to go home with me, making no attempt to find the map at that time, but she was greatly excited and dangerous. So I was obliged to go away without her. I was unable to find her from that time.

"until she came back to The Meredith of her own accord, the day after she made her second visit to the Morgan house at the time when you were there.

"It was during my absence from the hotel, and without my knowledge, that she answered the advertisement for the cloak, indeed, I did not know that she had done so, until you spoke to me concerning it that night at dinner. At that time it seemed safer to permit you to make the examination which you wished to make, than to try to prevent the examination from taking place, for she was now Jane Perkins, perfectly ignorant of everything connected with the affair.

"How you found out her true connection with it, as well as mine, I have no idea. I did not know you had done so, until I tore open the envelope in the hall and found it empty. Then I knew that it was time to act.

"There is one thing more, before I close, which you may think wants an explanation. I said just now that Panenna did not know that she had killed old Morgan, and yet she is Panenna rather than Jane Perkins, although she is not exactly either one of them. She is no longer subject to those trance states of hers, and her character seems to be a mixture of the two distinct persons which she was before that night when you took her out to Oak Ridge with you. Her memories of all her past are, I am thankful to say, extremely vague, though she remembers some things out of both of them. She can talk both Maori and English as well as I, and she says it is because when she was a Maori girl she heard a voice speaking to her in English, and ordering her to understand it. This seems great nonsense to me, but it may be that you will see some meaning in it.

"I will close by saying that the map which I found in old Morgan's house that night was worth all the trouble



"The Map Which I Found in Old Morgan's House Was Worth All the Trouble It Cost Me to Get It."

It cost me to get it, for it has made us very comfortable and well-to-do, and has made it possible for me to make many improvements on this island of mine. It is a very beautiful place, and with the comforts of civilization, which I have been able to add to its natural attractions, is a very good place to live.

"Panenna wishes to be remembered to you and Mr. Phelps, and also to Mr. Ashton, whom she used to admire very greatly when she was chambermaid at The Meredith.

"I should enjoy a visit from you very much, but I fear it will be impossible, for reasons which you will doubtless understand, for me even to

suggest such a thing. But please believe me, sir.

"Yours most gratefully and respectfully,

"WILKINS,  
Rona Island.

"P. S. You have seen a map of this island, or a part of it, and above is the name I have given it; but I must imitate the wisdom and discretion of my old chief, and omit to mention latitude and longitude."

The doctor met my eye as I laid the paper down. "You don't happen to know the latitude and longitude, do you, Phelps?" he asked, laughing.

"Do you?" I exclaimed, with a rather startled look into his twinkling gray eyes.

"Do you remember those queer syllables that Panenna repeated to us that night when she told us her story, the syllables that neither she nor I understood?"

Then, mimicking her strange guttural voice (and I will admit that even now the mere sound of it made me shiver a little), he said, "Ouan feef, ti oues. Ten south."

Over and over he repeated them, his smile growing broader and more tantalizing, as I still failed to understand. Then, all at once, I got it.

"One fifty west. Ten south!" I shouted.

"Not so loud," he said in mock alarm. "Ashton might hear you. And, on the whole," he added, smiling thoughtfully, but still half-seriously, "on the whole, I'd rather Ashton didn't know."

"You can show him the letter, at any rate," said I.

There came a knock at the door just then, a knock we knew.

"Come in," called the doctor. "Come in, Ashton. Here's a letter that may interest you."

[THE END.]

### NEGRO SLAYER FIGHTS RETURN TO NEW MADRID

New Madrid, February 21.—Authorities of New Madrid county apparently have met gubernatorial opposition in their effort to return to Missouri Willie (Cornbread) Brown, a negro, wanted here for the slaying of 13 years ago near Point Pleasant of Harry Johnson, a white man.

Brown was arrested two weeks ago in Columbus, O., after another negro is said to have "squealed" on him. Gov. Sam A. Baker immediately issued requisition papers for the return of Brown to Missouri for trial, and the papers were sent to Gov. Vic Donahey of Ohio.

Louis Hacker, who was made a special deputy, was sent to Columbus to get the negro. When he arrived there, he identified Brown from a number of other prisoners, but action on the application for extradition was delayed.

Hacker returned here today, after Gov. Donahey ordered a continuance, holding that more evidence was necessary before requisition would be allowed.

Brown is alleged to have shot and killed Johnson, while the latter was foreman at a levee camp near Point Pleasant. The negro escaped, and although there was a big reward offered for his arrest, he could not be located. Hacker is said to have been present at the time of the killing.

What kind of a government is it that provides refuges for wild birds and none for the hard-working politician who has been asked to explain in full his attitude on Prohibition?—Detroit News.

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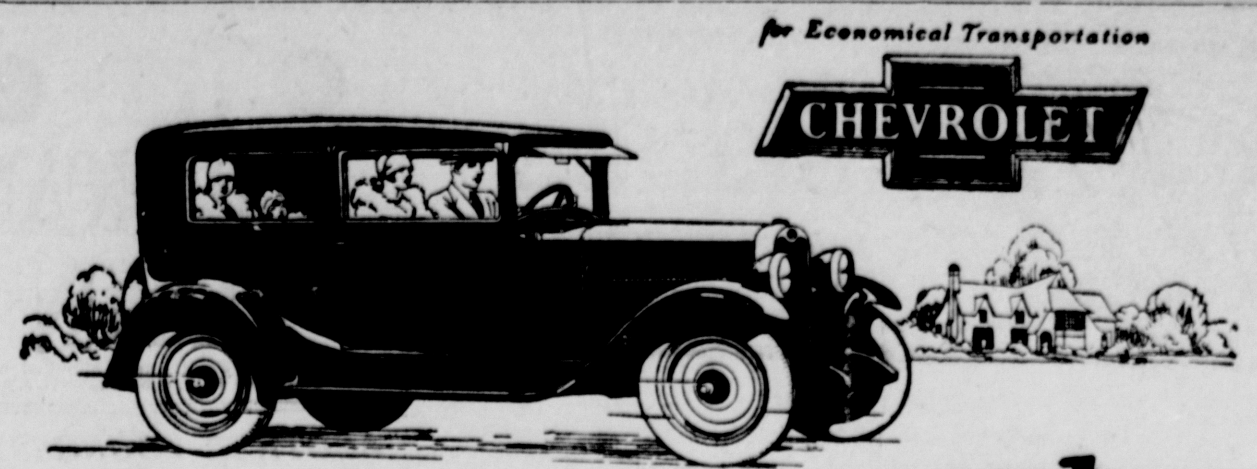
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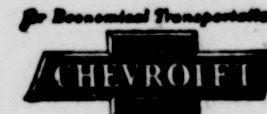
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Among the four inmates of the Missouri State Penitentiary, who were granted Washington's Birthday pardons by Gov. Sam A. Baker Wednesday were Scott County's famous "cracker thieves", Herbert Weaver and Roscoe Higdon, 17-year-old Alabama youths, who were sentenced from this county for four years from October, 1926. The youths had broken into a freight car to sleep and had taken several boxes of crackers when they left.

The other paroles went to Frank W. Craig of Boone County and Arthur Loftis of Douglas County.

Vandalia—Missouri Fire Brick Co. starts operations.

### Nurse Advises WEAK, RUN-DOWN WOMEN To Take Cardui

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The United States and Mexico are now on capital terms, with Mexico needing the capital.—Weston (Ore.) Leader.

We are often wonder why they are called the secrets of success. Everybody is always telling them to everybody else.—Grand Rapids Press.

North Carolina strawberry growers rid their land of parasitic nematodes by using a rotation which would be feasible in other regions. Following strawberries, corn is planted with a nematode-resistant variety of cowpeas drilled in the rows; the corn is

harvested, the cowpeas are turned under, and winter oats are sown. In the spring the oats are plowed under or harvested, and corn and cowpeas are planted again. After this corn crop is harvested, and the cowpeas turned under, the growers plant strawberries in the autumn and sow oats among them. The next spring the oats are harvested and the strawberries cultivated and hoed. This system achieves three objects: It reduces the nematodes; it produces crops of corn; and it adds humus and fertility to the soil.

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## How to Play BRIDGE

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### ARTICLE NO. 27

Many people who haven't yet taken up auction bridge, wonder at its popularity. The following quotation, from a recent book by Ellis O. Jones, gives some of the reasons for this great popularity in a very apt and pleasing way:

"No game has so many elements of attractiveness. It is a highly complex combination of luck, skill and intelligence, bringing into play every known mental faculty, and is thus positively valuable in mind-training as well as a mere escape from ennui. Suitable for four (or even three) or a party of four hundred or four thousand, it is sociable to the highest degree. Being a game of partners and requiring co-operation and teamwork, it is social in its cultural properties as well as sociable, while, at the same time, the pivoting and keeping of individual scores leave plenty of room for each player's individuality. It may be played for a stake of any size and thus provide continuous thrills for the most tempestuous gambler, but, unlike poker, it is interesting when played for no stake and thus may contribute year in and year out to the placidity of the most lackadaisical. While simple enough for the unlearned, and suitable for children, its subtleties and possibilities approach the infinite and tax the capacities of the most intellectual. So true is this, that, in spite of the immense popularity of the game, no man or woman yet stands out as having thoroughly and unquestionably mastered it. There is none who hasn't something yet to learn about both the bidding and the play of the hands."

In the preceding article, attention was called to the take-outs of a partner's no-trump bid that are based on distribution. Here is another fine example of the benefits that accrue when a player follows this system:

Hearts—7  
Clubs—10, 8, 7, 2  
Diamonds—A, J, 8, 5, 4, 3  
Spades—10, 9  
Y  
A B  
Z  
Hearts—A, 5  
Clubs—A, K, Q, 6  
Diamonds—Q, 10, 2  
Spades—A, Q, J, 8

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one no-trump. A passed and Y bid two diamonds, scoring five odd, game and rubber. If he had allowed

Answer to Problem No. 31  
Hearts—5, 2  
Clubs—K, J, 10, 5  
Diamonds—A, J, 10, 5  
Spades—10, 9, 8

Hearts—K, J, 10, 6, 4  
Clubs—Q, 5, 3, 2  
Diamonds—Q, 8, 4, 3  
Spades—none

Y  
A B  
Z  
Hearts—A, 9, 3  
Clubs—A, 9, 8, 7  
Diamonds—K  
Spades—Q, J, 7, 4, 3

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one spade. A bid two hearts, Y bid two spades and B bid three hearts. Z bid three spades, A and Y passed and B doubled. Z and A passed and Y redoubled. All passed and A opened the six of hearts. Y played the deuce, B the queen and Z the trey. B now led the eight, Z played the ace and A and Y followed suit. How should Z play the hand from now on? Z should lead the nine of hearts and trump in Y's hand with the eight of spades. Y should now lead the ten of spades which B must win with the king. B should now lead the four of clubs which Y should win. Y should now lead the nine of spades which B should refuse to win.

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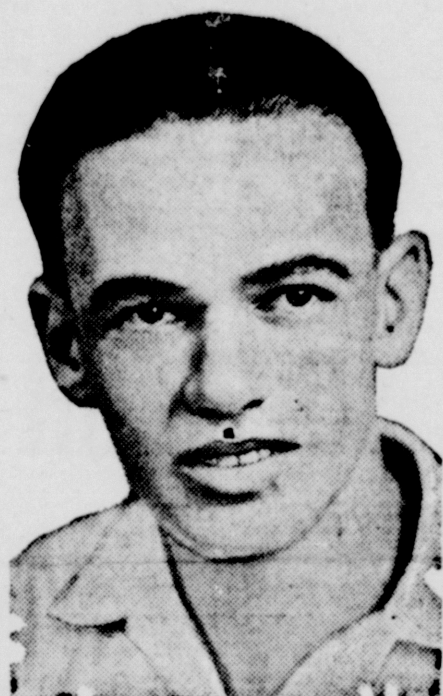
### ANOTHER YOUNGEST IN LEGION'S RANKS

Occasionally a wave of claims and counter-claims sweeps through American Legion posts throughout the country regarding who was the youngest man in the fighting forces of the United States in the World War. Colorado recently started the argument all over again, and was answered by a post in Omaha, which brought forth the following letter from Joe Frank, editor of "The Cracker Legionnaire" of Florida and vice president of the American Legion Press association:

"I have been sitting back listening to all these other posts yell about the youngest Legionnaire," the letter reads, "and now it seems as if they have all reported in. I think that I am able to show them all up by reporting Comrade George E. MacKenzie of 1434 N. E. First street, Miami, Fla., who is a member of the Harvey Seeds post."

"He enlisted December 28, 1917, in Savannah, Ga., at the age of thirteen. He was born in Savannah June 16, 1904. He enlisted on December 28, 1917, went overseas March, 1918, in Company E of the Thirty-eighth Infantry, Third division, as a private."

"Soon after he arrived overseas, his age was discovered, and he was sent back of the lines and detailed to hos-



George E. MacKenzie.

pital duty. He was discharged January 5, 1919, at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., and he will be twenty-three years of age June 16, 1927."

The most recent claims are shown in the following table:

Colorado, Bybee B. Baird; Born March 10, 1902; Enlisted August, 1917.  
Nebraska, Max Tennebaum; Born May 3, 1902; Enlisted May 28, 1917.  
Oregon, George L. Bunce; Born April 10, 1903; Enlisted March 27, 1917.  
Florida, George E. MacKenzie; Born June 16, 1904; Enlisted December 28, 1917.

Bunce had a hard time getting into the service.

"I borrowed my big brother's long pants and went down to the armory and told them I was eighteen," he said recently. Bunce went overseas with the First division of regulars, served on the front in four major offensives, was wounded and gassed.

Tennebaum served overseas with the Eighty-third Field artillery. He is president of Omaha Local No. 41, International Alliance of Billers and Bill Posters, and is believed to be the youngest known president of such a union in the world.

Baird is a member of the Pueblo (Colo.) post of the Legion. He enlisted to join his brother, who was in the first supply train of the First division.

### Florida Post Aids in Cleaning Up Beaches

In one Saturday afternoon the Melbourne (Fla.) post of The American Legion transformed the appearance of the city's waterfront. The entire membership of the post turned out in bathing suits, row boats and hip boots and went to work clearing up the beaches.

Several useless piers were destroyed, the piling being pulled up with the aid of a tractor loaned by a local contractor. An old fishing house which had once stood at the end of a pier but half submerged, was torn down and the lumber floated ashore. The house will be reconstructed near the American Legion hall and used as headquarters for Boy Scouts.

### Mystery Solved

A certain dusky promoter was haled into court charged with trying to sell life insurance without a license? "Now, Sam," said the judge severely, "don't you know you can't sell life insurance without a license?" Sam's eyes widened as a great light dawned upon him.

"Well, dawgone me! Ah been wonderin' why Ah couldn't sell no insurance!"—American Legion Monthly

## RADIO

### An R. F. Amplifier Will Aid Quality

### Compensates for Loss of Energy Caused by the Detector Tube.

Properly designed radio frequency amplifiers contribute not only to sensitivity of a receiving set but also to its tone quality, according to results obtained from a series of tests conducted in one of the laboratories of a large radio company.

The function of a high frequency amplifier in the latter sense may be difficult to comprehend at first, since, according to theory, it is credited only with amplification of very weak signals to a point where they are of sufficient intensity to operate the detector tube. To understand the manner in which an r. f. amplifier improves quality, a study of the function of the detector tube will be found useful.

In effect, a detector tube is really a "distortion" device since it is by distorting one-half the incoming radio frequency wave that the signal is made audible. The distortion of this incoming wave is accomplished by operating the detector tube at grid and plate voltage values where a slight positive charge will result in an abnormal plate current and a negative charged subnormal plate current with respect to the effect of similar charges on the grid if the tube were operated on the "straight" part of its grid volts—plate current characteristic curve. Thus, the incoming wave train, having positive and negative alternations, will be represented in the plate circuit in the form of abnormal plate current for the negative half and it is this difference of plate current value that causes an audible sound in the phones.

Since it is only the difference between the distorted positive and negative half cycles that is responsible for reproduction, it is evident that much of the signal strength is lost in the process—the lower half of the wave entirely missing, plus that part of the upper half lost through the opposing effect of the distorted lower half. For this reason, weak signals must be amplified before detection, if results of any kind are desired.

In the audio frequency end of the receiver it is found that, due to inertia of reproducing mechanisms, the air and, last but not least, the detector tube, considerable energy is required to reproduce faithfully musical tones in the lower register.

Powerful audio amplification will overcome the effect on inertia of air and reproducing mechanisms, but it cannot compensate for the loss of energy caused by the detector tube. The only remedy for this is amplification before detection. Thus the radio frequency amplifier comes into its own as a contributor to good audio reproduction, and the more well-designed stages ahead of the detector the better the quality at the output of the set. There is one drawback, however, in multistage radio frequency amplification, and this is due to pickup and interstage coupling between various coils in the receiver. With several stages of tuned radio frequency amplification, a receiver becomes so sensitive that coils in the set tend to act as miniature loop aerials and thus broaden tuning and destroy selectivity.

Such effects, however, are neutralized with the use of individual stage shields which not only eliminate external pickup and prevent interstage coupling, but also, by virtue of introduction into the fields of the coils, tend to stabilize still further the receiver against oscillation. Most shields designed for this purpose are made of aluminum and are so planned that the covers are mounted on the subpanel or baseboard and the can proper slipped into place after all wiring has been completed.

### Low Impedance Tubes Help Audio Amplifier

An audio amplifier is greatly improved if the tubes used possess low output impedance values. This is particularly true if the amplifier coupling unit are transformers designed several years ago. This should be of special interest to receiver owners who purchased their equipment two or three years ago. The improvement in quality amplification with old type transformers was conclusively demonstrated in a series of experiments conducted at the Zetka laboratories with some of their low output impedance tubes.

Good quality radio amplification cannot be obtained unless the low notes are satisfactorily amplified, and if low output impedance tubes are used better energy transfer on low notes will be obtained. As a matter of fact, better energy transfer will be obtained on all frequencies. Usually a tube with a low output impedance has a low amplification constant, but the overall amplification of the tube-coupling unit is very seldom lowered, because with the lower output impedance and a constant load impedance a greater portion of the voltage available in the tube is delivered to the load. Use low impedance tubes in all sockets in the audio amplifier.

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Adequate ventilation of the dairy or stock barn is one important safeguard against fires. If the barn is not properly ventilated, moisture often collects on the roof and sides of the barn during cold weather, causing water to drop from the roof to the loose hay in the mow and creating favorable conditions for spontaneous ignition. In a well ventilated barn, however, the moisture laden air from the livestock is carried off without condensation, keeping the barn dry and at an even temperature. Extensive tests by practical dairy-men and agricultural college experiment stations have also proven that a well ventilated barn is necessary if high producing dairy cows are to be kept in good health.

In marketing wheat there is need for more accurate determination of qualities and values at country stations and terminal markets so that premiums for protein and other special qualities in the wheat may be more truly reflected to the country elevators and to the producers. Farmers' elevators, the United States Department of Agriculture believes, should take the lead in bringing about the reform.

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Harold Duke to Roy Pearson, lot 8 block 13 Chaffee, \$1.

J. E. Smith to Mrs. Irene Ford, part lot 10 block 16, Morley, \$1250.

M. Q. Tanner to H. D. Rodges, E. R. Timmerstein nad George J. Arnold, lot 6 block 5 High School addition Sikeston, \$275.

Chas. Wilhelm to Margaret Woolsey, lot 3 block 12 Chaffee, \$500.

Wm. Day to O. H. and H. M. Monroe, part lots 1, 2 block 1 Kelo, \$183.75.

G. W. Fenimore to R. L. Fenimore, lots 12, 13 block 3 Sikes 3rd addition Sikeston, \$250.

H. E. Arnold to J. R. Franck, lot 4, part lot 3, block 32 Chaffee, \$2200.

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### Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of Katherine S. Duncan, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1928.

S. P. BRITE, Administrator.

### Notice of Administration

Notice Is Hereby Given, That Letters of Administration on the estate of Levi Prouty, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of August, 1926, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

M. E. Prouty, Administrator.

THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.



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### GEORGE BEVELY, NEGRO PORTER, TELLS OF LUCK AND HOW IT CHANGED

George Bevely, negro porter at the Del Rey Hotel, has been having bad luck for the last month but it changed early Friday morning—and got worse. George was forced to look down the business-end of a "six-gun" as he happened to be in the Frisco waiting room when the station agent was held up early Friday and had to give his last five dollars.

"On de very second day ob de month de ground hog had to see his shadow and dat started me off wrong", George moaned, "and den my money troubles really started". George was cleaning his room and gathered up his pocketbook containing \$13 with the rubbish, burning the lot before he discovered his loss. The next stroke came in a dice game (which he quickly explained was not in Scott County—in fact, not in the State of Missouri) for here George went to the wall to the extent of some fifteen dollars. Then too, George has had other difficulties which he is more secretive about.

In describing the hold-up, George said that when the three men entered the station with Mr. Scott Leyerle ahead of them, he had just become comfortable one of the soft wood benches in the waiting room, but that it was not so comfortable when one of the men approached him with the usual order of "stick 'em up". He said that the man asked him if he had any money and that he replied that he did not, whereupon the unbelieving man went through George's pockets and extracted his last five spot.

"When the hold-up was over, I took out for town", he related. "And as I neared the grade school building I saw two men doing considerable running. I thought they were running after me so I really did some running myself then". (Later investigation showed that the running men were probably just getting out of George's way).

"When I got to the Hotel Marshall I stopped until I saw a good chance when I ran on over to the Del Rey and hid because I figured that maybe the men would follow me and shoot me so I couldn't give no evidence against them", he concluded.

Bevely thinks, perhaps his luck will change now, but he says he doesn't care for any more hold-ups.

### Washington Letter

(By W. L. Nelson, Rep. 8th Mo. Dis.)

It has been said, and I believe it true, that the worst lobby in Washington is the social lobby. The representatives of special interests play upon the well-known weaknesses of the socially ambitious and in this way may influence some who would resent any offer of political preferment or financial gain. Back of many a little "tea", "at home", or reception I suspect, is the desire to reach some man in public life, perhaps to reach him through his wife or through the charm and grace of some other woman. In its effort to defeat desirable legislation or to assist in the passage of bad bills, the social lobby is as dangerous as the propaganda stuff sent out from Washington in the form of bales of letters and prepared copy for the press.

For the second time, Sinclair, wealthy oil operator, has been sentenced to jail, although he has yet to serve his first sentence. Burns, detective, and his son, also Day, a business associate of Sinclair, were likewise found guilty in the oil contempt trial growing out of jury shadowing in the Fall-Sinclair case here in Washington a few weeks ago.

The entire oil scandal is one of the most shameful in American history and the pity is that the guilty have never yet been punished. Right now when cartoons and editorials are being used to prevent or discredit proposed investigations in other fields, it is well to remember that the same methods were used when the oil investigation was first proposed six years ago. At that time the cry was of "politics" and "persecution", in the hope that the rascals might escape.

Seventeen years ago Iowa sent W. R. Green (Rep.) to Congress. Thru the working of the seniority rule, he became chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, which position he now resigns to become a judge, for life, of the United States Court of Claims, at an annual salary of \$12,500. It is hinted that the Treasury Department is pleased to have Green go to his new post in the hope that his successor may prove more "pliable". We are told, "In the preparation of the last two tax bills, Mr. Green refused to follow entirely the recommendations of Secretary Mellon and has shown a tendency not always to be in sympathy with the President's policies". For one thing, the Iowa representatives stood for the estate tax, objected to by Mellon and other millionaires.

A bill unanimously passed by the House provides that mothers having sons who died in the World War and who are buried abroad may, any time within three years after July 1, 1928, visit said graves at government expense. The same privilege is extended to unmarried widows of such soldiers. It is estimated that about 3000 women, all told, may visit the graves of their dead.

The House, by unanimous vote, has passed a World War Veterans' bill to extend for a period of two years the time in which application may be filed for adjusted compensation. It has also passed a bill authorizing a pension increase from \$30 to \$40 per month for Civil War widows married since 1905 and who are 75 years of age.

I was the only Democrat to vote against reporting out the flood control bill from our committee. This bill, while containing some good features, does not meet the requirements of Missouri and especially of the Eighth district. Everybody believes that it must be amended and I wished to be left in a position to consistently offer amendments. First, not enough work is to be done on the tributaries, and it is here that our people are primarily concerned. In the second place, the entire item for bank revetment is omitted from the amount carried in the committee measure. Without revetment it is in many places impossible to hold the banks as well as levees and to maintain a channel for river navigation. In this connection Colonel Charles L. Potter, chairman of the Mississippi River Commission and for many years stationed in St. Louis, was asked the question, "Is bank revetment essential both for flood control and for navigation?" His answer was, "Decidedly, absolutely".

I have made a fight for the people of the lower Mississippi where under the bill flood control work is to be done at Federal expense. But in fairness to our own territory, the work of revetment, of stopping the caving and cutting of banks must go on. If not, millions spent will be wasted and there will be no permanent channel, so necessary if barges are to carry freight between Kansas City, St. Louis and New Orleans.

Since the committee bill was reported, a large number of Democrats and Republicans have joined forces to

secure greater recognition for the tributary rivers. It is also certain that the bill, if it ever passes, will carry money for revetment work. Another suggestion is that the work should not be placed entirely in the hands of army engineers. The bill as drawn is satisfactory neither to the President nor to the country as a whole.

Smith of Illinois, having "resigned" the seat in the Senate which that body properly refused him, has been appointed to fill the vacancy and will also again try for renomination. No wonder Will Rogers, in writing of Nicaragua, says, "We have the marines on horseback down there now watching the voters. It's a great idea for Nicaragua, but we haven't got enough marines and enough horses to even patrol the Pennsylvania and Illinois precincts".

The slowness with which justice sometimes moves is shown in a matter on which we this week received a favorable report from the Committee on Pensions. Twenty-eight years ago a young man, Alexander Cooper, while serving as a soldier in the Philippines, was murdered by natives who then threw the body into a river. A year later application for pension was made in behalf of the mother, Mrs. Almanza Korse of near Prairie Home, Cooper County. Although efforts were made by each succeeding representative from the district, the Pension Bureau continued in its refusal to report favorably. A few weeks ago, having secured all available evidence, I introduced a special bill in behalf of this mother, who now after almost thirty years, will receive a small pension unless the bill is held up through the failure of the Omnibus measure not yet reported.

Official figures show increasing unemployment throughout the entire country. At last the big cities are being brought to realize that without farm prosperity they cannot permanently enjoy good times. Speaking in the House this week, Representative Eslick, of Tennessee, called attention to the fact that in two years 253,000 American farm owners are known to have lost their homes. While these figures by no means include all the farm failures, they show, as the speaker said, that "in these two years more men were sold out of houses and home than faced each other in the Union and Confederate armies on the bloody field of Gettysburg". Representative Hastings of Oklahoma, also quoted figures from the "Comptroller of the Currency, showing that in eight years there have been 3941 bank failures, most of them in agricultural states.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the fire department for the excellent work done Saturday morning. Their fine work did help us to save a portion of our belongings from destruction. We also thank our neighbors and friends for their help and expressions of sympathy.

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Mrs. Billie Ghemhardt entertained the Rook Club and their husbands Wednesday night with a Washington Birthday party. The house was decorated in the National colors. The idea was carried out in the refreshments. There were four tables of Rook. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

Mrs. Charles Lumsden was the charming hostess to the Rook Club Friday afternoon. The house was artistically decorated with the seasonal colors. The two-course luncheon was served in the same style in colors as the decorations.

Misses Wava Watkins and Margery Burch entertained a few friends with a Washington's Birthday party Wednesday night. Sandwiches, cocoa, cherry pie and whipped cream were served.

Miss Mary James, teacher at White Oak No. 2, gave a box supper and a program Wednesday night, which was well attended and enjoyed very much by the people. Miss James is an excellent little teacher and is deserving of much credit for her efforts in training the children in her school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory and son, Bill, and daughter, Mary Ola, motored down from Cape Girardeau Saturday to visit friends and attend the revival being conducted by Rev. Roberts at the Christian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord and children of New Madrid spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele.

Ellis Reed spent the weekend with his parents in Jackson.

Mrs. G. F. Deane and daughter, Miss Frankie, were the guests of Mrs. Aubrey Lurmit at New Madrid Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Estes spent Sunday with friends at La Forge.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Depro, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Barnhart visited the family of Mart Johnson at La Forge, Sunday.

Howard Steele attended the wrestling match between Lewis and Stecher in St. Louis last Monday night.

Olan Critchlow motored down from St. Louis Saturday on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Critchlow.

The two youngest children of Mr. and Mrs. Rip Dunham have the measles.

Will and L. Deane motored to Sikeston on business, Friday.

### B. Y. P. U. MEETING ENDS AT CAPE GIRARDEAU SAT.

The regional convention of District 12 of Missouri of Baptist Young People's Unions held at Cape Girardeau closed Saturday afternoon with approximately 125 delegates in attendance from over Southeast Missouri.

The fourth of the regional conventions will be held at Mountain Grove, March 4 and 5. Marble Hill and Chaffee made bids for the district convention for 1929, Chaffee being chosen, as Marble Hill has entertained the delegates to such a meeting twice within the last few years.

J. C. Hockett, Jr., of Kansas City, State Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. secretary, made the principal talk of the evening. His admonition to members of the individual organizations was to make use of the talents they possessed, regardless of the degree of the talent.

### MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the splendid services rendered by the Fire Department, in their efforts to save my house from the disastrous conflagration that continued. (I am informed) for about three hours, from 9 to 12 o'clock Friday morning. I also wish to thank those of my friends, aside from the members of the Fire Department, for the help they rendered, as I am informed that many of them manifested great interest and did all in their power to render service.

DR. E. J. MALONE

### 1906 LICENSE SOLD

Monday afternoon 1906 automobile licenses had been sold from the Sikeston office. Of these 1706 were for pleasure cars and 200 for trucks. About five or six thousand pairs of plates are usually sold and as Thursday is the last day that licenses may be obtained without risk of arrest for driving with old plates, the office is expected to be busy for the next few days.

Mrs. Wiley Wilkerson and Miss Ruth Allard spent Sunday in Malden visiting Mrs. Wilkerson's parents.

Pekin blue silk dresses \$8.85, this season's style, \$10 to \$12.50 values.—Buckner-Ragsdale Bargain Basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sikes, Kendall Sikes, Mrs. O. E. Kendall and Mr. and Mrs. James Kevill motored to Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

## Local and Personal

Mrs. Effie Swanagon is visiting relatives in Kennett this week.

Mrs. Calvin Greer is entertaining with bridge Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. L. B. Adams was on the sick list this week, we are sorry to report.

Don't forget the home talent play at the community hall Miner, Friday, March 2.

Miss Evelyn Sutton spent Sunday in Benton, the guest of Miss Leona Bertrand.

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Mrs. Ralph Anderson and Mrs. J. J. Massey were visitors to Cape Girardeau Thursday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cy Harris are at home after a pleasant visit with their daughters in St. Louis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bowman and sons were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Matthews.

New silk dresses for spring, all shades, in our basement, \$10 to \$12.50 values, \$8.85.—Buckner-Ragsdale Co.

Mrs. W. A. Wright and son of Canolou are occupying one of the Meyer cottages on North Ranney.

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Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Lynn of Clarksburg, Indiana, were the guests of Mrs. Maud Sitzes at the Elkins House for the week-end.

\$10 and \$12.50 silk dresses \$8.85. All new spring styles and colors.—Bargain Basement Buckner-Ragsdale Store Company.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods and children and Miss Martha Martin motored to Risco Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scott.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Arthur and Mrs. W. R. Burks and daughter, Miss Katherine, motored to Charleston Sunday afternoon and visited friends.

We have a lot of the conventional navies and blacks in the new spring dresses in our Bargain Basement.—Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

The Standard is glad to report that Mrs. E. J. Keith, who underwent an operation for appendicitis, is recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Slack returned Sunday afternoon from Vanita, Okla., where they have been visiting Mrs. Slack's father, who is not well.

Mrs. Edna Harris, formerly Miss Edna Kirby, left for Los Angeles, Calif., Thursday, to join her husband. They will make their home in that city.

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Miss Grace Decker, a senior in Sikeston High School, went to Miami, Fla., last week with her sister, Miss Marian. She will return some time this week.

Come to see "Mrs. Tubbs of Shanty Town" at Miner Friday night, March 2.

Mrs. J. R. Elkins, who has been in a hospital at St. Louis, and underwent a serious operation, returned home Tuesday morning of last week and is doing fine.

Mrs. Harvey Morrison wishes to thank all the young folks who so ably assisted her in the Missionary pageant that was put on at the Methodist church Sunday night.

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Mrs. Lindsay Brown of Charleston and Mrs. Marion Brown of Jannison, Mo., visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sikes last Wednesday. Mrs. Marion Brown is visiting homefolks in Charleston.

Mrs. Emma Werner and Edwin Werner of St. Charles, and Mr. and Mrs. John Werner and son, John, Jr. of Mt. Vernon, Ill., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker, Sr.

New spring dresses, Castilian Red, Mother Goose, Pelican, Athenia, Blue, Lavender, Meadow Pink and Mahal, \$10 and \$12.50 values \$8.85 in our Bargain Basement.—Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

Thomas Lee Atkins of Spruce, Bates County and Miss Nettie O. Carter were married at the Carter home, north of the High School, Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock by Justice of the Peace W. S. Smith.

FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms on the first floor, for light housekeeping.—Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, on Trotter Street, Sikeston.

## ENNA JETTICK Health Shoes



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### LIGHTING SERVICE HAMPERED

The lighting services in Sikeston was hampered Sunday night due to the emergency plant being unable to carry the extra heavy Sunday night load after trouble in repairing the damaged flue at the Cape Girardeau plant had prevented it being ready to resume the load. The flue at Cape Girardeau was damaged last week by a wind storm and was being repaired Sunday during the slack period. A section of the flue fell and caused a delay in getting the work done which resulted in the emergency plant being used last night.

### HIGHWAY LOSSES AGAIN

The Highway basketball team lost another to Marston Saturday night at Marston by a score of 12 to 25. Hequenbourg and Mathis may not have been stars in the game, but they certainly saw them when they collided early in the second quarter of the game.

### D. A. R. MEETING

The regular meeting of the D. A. R. will be held at the home of Miss Isabelle Hess Saturday afternoon, March 3 with Miss Hess and Miss Marcella Shaw as hostesses.

Don't fail to see the new spring silk dresses in our Bargain Basement. Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

A. E. Shankle, who moved to Humboldt, Tenn., January 1 was a visitor here Sunday and Monday. He says that The Standard has been as two big letters from home a week since he has been away.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bowman and children and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Matthews and children motored to Cape Girardeau Sunday and visited Mrs. E. J. Keith, who is a patient in the St. Francis Hospital.

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A negro man and woman giving the names of Washington Robinson and wife were returned to Caruthersville last week by Gid Daniels and Brown Jewell. They were found with clothes stolen in Caruthersville.

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Mrs. Ella Old returned Sunday from a few days' visit with her sons, Fred and Shadburn, in Memphis, Tenn. Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Old and son drove down Wednesday, returning Thursday.

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Father Flannigan of New Madrid was the visiting priest at the Catholic church Sunday morning and evening. Father Flannigan preached an interesting sermon on the Eighth Commandment in the morning and on the Third Commandment in the evening. All of the Catholic churches are exchanging pastors during the Holy season of Lent.



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### COURT CANNOT BE PURCHASING AGENT

Jefferson City, February 22.—That a county court cannot constitute itself the "purchasing agent" of a county is the gist of a ruling today by Attorney General North T. Gentry. It settles a question long discussed in the State Association of County Judges, and other organizations of county offices.

The ruling was the result of an inquiry by Prosecuting Attorney M. J. Petrequin of Ste. Genevieve County, who asked if an order made by the County Court of that County requiring county officers to submit to the court requisitions for office supplies, and that supplies purchased by any officer without approval of the court must be paid for by him out of his own pocket, was legal.

In denying the authority of the county court to constitute itself purchasing agent, the Attorney General held that the order of the Ste. Genevieve court is not legal, as the court in handling the affairs of the county does not act judicially, but ministerially as the financial and administrative agent.

Gentry held that it is the duty of the county to furnish necessary supplies for the offices and no exclusive authority is given the court to regulate or control purchases, nor making the court or any one official or body the purchasing agent. If the items purchased and the prices paid are reasonable, the county cannot escape liability on the claim.

Plans for the Outlook Meeting for farmers of Southeast Missouri at the Court House in New Madrid, Wednesday, have been completed and a large delegation is expected to attend.

The condition of Edward J. McGrew, member of the State Highway Commission, who is seriously ill at his home in Lexington, is unchanged, according to latest reports. Mr. McGrew was appointed to the board in November, 1926 to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Theodore Gary.

The wedding in St. Louis of Dr. Cleitus A. Presnell, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Presnell, formerly of Charleston, to Miss Edna May Logan, has just been announced. Dr. Presnell is well known in Sikeston, having visited here many times during the time he lived in Charleston.

### CERTIFIED SEED POTATOES BOOST SPUD YIELD

Profit in potato growing is greatly increased by the use of certified seed potatoes, a survey of the methods used by 300 and 400-bushel potato club members. Certified seed is free from diseases which might seriously lower the yield of the crop in the fall, and is of a much higher quality than the average seed used. In Missouri, for instance, a noticeable increase in yield and a 42 per cent reduction in culls resulted from the use of Northern grown certified seed. Over a period of eight years, Irish Cobbles grown from certified seed yielded 24.6 bushels to the acre more than potatoes from home grown seed of the same variety. Members of the Pennsylvania 400-bushel potato club use certified seed almost entirely the survey shows. The increase in yield much more than pays for the extra cost of the seed in all cases.

### DUSTING SEED CORN PAYS

Chemical dust treatment to combat dry rot in seed corn increases the yield of corn in cases where the seed is infected with this disease, finds the Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station after a study extending over four years. The treatment can be made for about four cents per acre.

The use of good seed is one of the most important factors in increasing the yield of corn, after a survey of the methods used by 100-bushel corn club members in Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska and Ohio. Seed corn accounts for only one per cent of the cost of growing corn as a rule and the extra cost of obtaining high class seed is insignificant compared to other costs and the higher yield obtained. In all cases the corn should be individual ear tested in order to detect ears of low germination quality and ears infected with molds. The presence of the latter can be detected by the various colors of the sprouts and molds forming on the corn when tested. Of almost equal importance is the necessity of obtaining a good stand, which depends on the preparation of a good seed bed and an accurate corn planter which will plant the desired number of kernels in every hill in the field. Grading of the seed corn also helps to insure a good stand.

Mrs. Lois Goodpasture of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ara Hanner. Mrs. Goodpasture is recovering from a serious operation and will make an extended visit with her mother.

The Farmers' Week program will be in Cape Girardeau Tuesday and Wednesday, February 28 and 29 and Thursday and Friday, March 1 and 2, at the State Teachers College, Agriculture Hall. The program starts at 9:45 a. m., continuous until 3:30 p. m. Free eats will be served during the noon hour to everyone that is hungry. This meeting will be the best farmers meeting held in Southeast Missouri this year. Urge your neighbors to attend these meetings to hear the speakers talk on subjects which are of vital importance to every farmer.

FOR SALE—Police pups, pedigreed males \$15, females \$10. Phone 452 or see them at 519 North New Madrid Street.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping at 326 North Ranney Street.—Mrs. W. A. Wright, 2t

LOST—A figured peach colored georgette crepe scarf last Wednesday evening. Kindly return to The Standard office.

FOR SALE—A day bed and refrigerator. Call Mrs. Chas. L. Prow, 157.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 341 North Street Mrs. J. H. Held.

FOR RENT—10-room house, lights, water and bath. Garage, garden and orchard. Apply to Dr. P. M. Malcolm.

FOR RENT—80 acres of good corn land near Sikeston. Good improvements.—Louise M. Lewis, Hotel Marshall.

FOR SALE—Purebred Buff Orpington eggs 75c per setting of 15.—Mrs. F. E. King one and a half miles north of Minner Switch. 6t pd.

BIGGER, BETTER, BIG BEND BABY CHICKS. State Accredited. Write for catalog and prices.—Big Bend Poultry Farms, Dept. S. Cape Girardeau, Mo. 1m.

FOR SALE—Good 4-room house, two lots, 209 William Street. For information phone 405 or call on Wade L. Shankle, Sikeston, or write W. O. Shankle, Fulton, Ky. tf.

Due to recent promotions, paying position now open to man with sales ability. Experience unnecessary. Position permanent. Rapid promotions. Call 286J for appointment. 4tpd.

FOR RENT—9-room house with bathroom, modern improvements. Close to business section and suitable for roomers or boarders.—Mrs. A. J. Matthews. See E. J. Keith. 3t pd.

## CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

(Items for last week)

Mrs. W. D. Lowe, who has been in the hospital at Poplar Bluff, came home, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Himmelberger of Cape Girardeau were here Wednesday.

Mrs. John McCormick of St. Louis came in unexpectedly Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lowe. Mrs. McCormick was formerly Miss Nellie Lowe.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dillon are the proud parents of a baby girl born Friday, February 17. The little Miss has been named Loretta Jeanne.

W. M. Wilkins has purchased a new Chevrolet coach from the Sikeston agency.

Mrs. Margaret Cain has been doing substitute work at the high school this week for Miss Alexander, who is confined to her home with flu.

A vegetable growing meeting was held at the City Hall Wednesday night. An excellent crowd was present and much interest shown.

Jefferson Sarff spent the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sarff and family.

Mrs. Ollie Hoskins and children of Piedmont and E. L. Griffin of Charleston spent Sunday visiting in the home of their brother, W. R. Griffin and family.

P. H. Teal and daughter, Mary Anne, of Charleston took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Brice Edwards, Sunday. Mrs. Teal, who is in the Cairo Hospital, is doing very nicely now and hopes to be home soon.

Mrs. C. H. Pease spent Friday in Cairo visiting friends and shopping.

Joe, Allen and Bradley Moccabee expect to leave for Oregon some time soon to take employment in lumber business there.

The basketball game between Gideon and Morehouse on the local court Friday night was a hard fought game. The girls won by a score of 16 to 15 and the boys lost with a score of 24 to 12.

Mrs. M. A. Massey and Mrs. Brice Edwards shopped in Cape Girardeau, Monday.

The committee making a survey of the vegetable growers will meet on Tuesday at four o'clock at the Morehouse Trust Co. Members of the committee state that a good many men are signing up for small acreages each.

### WILL B. SIMPSON HEARS PROGRAM FROM AIRPLANE

Homer Rodeheaver, song leader of the Billy Sunday meeting which closed in St. Louis Sunday, broadcast from an airplane over St. Louis Saturday noon and was heard by many in this vicinity. Among them was W. B. Simpson, who had tuned in about 11:40 o'clock to hear the market reports. Rodeheaver first sang "The Old Rugged Cross", which was very clear, but when he played a solo on his trombone, the drone of the motor seemed to interfere. The program was picked up by Station KMOX in St. Louis and re-broadcast. The program was sent from 1000, 2000 and 3000 feet with apparently no difference in the reception.

### ARTHUR ALLEN ARRESTED ON FORGERY CHARGE

Arthur J. Allen was arrested and placed in jail Monday charged with forging three checks. Two of the checks were for five dollars each and the third for ten dollars. The name of Rube Greer was signed to each. The checks were passed at Pinnells, the Sikeston Mercantile Company and a local barber shop.

After being arrested Allen was also charged with being connected with the theft of Mrs. Gord Dill's Essex car a week ago Saturday night.

### DAN MCCOY BREAKS ARM

Dan McCoy, Jr. sustained a fractured right arm, when he attempted to crank his Ford at the McCoy home about 6:30 Friday morning. It was a clean break across the member just above the wrist and while the arm was weak from having been burned when Dan was about three years old and a later operation, the attending physician said that it would be well in a month or so. Dan was in a hurry to get started to McMullin Friday morning when the accident happened and the spin he gave the Ford caused it to back-fire.

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\$10 and \$12.50 silk dresses \$8.85. All new spring styles and colors.—Bargain Basement Buckner-Ragsdale Store Company.